

FORTY-SIXTH
ANNUAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

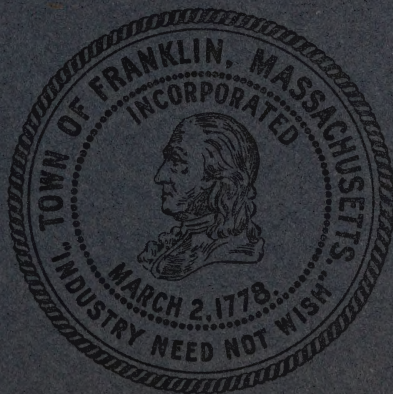
— OF THE —

TOWN OF FRANKLIN

FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1904.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS,

WITH OTHER PUBLIC MATTERS.



FRANKLIN:
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE OFFICERS OF THE

TOWN OF FRANKLIN,

FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1904.

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TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED

For the Municipal Year of 1902-1903.

Selectmen :

ALFRED CLARK, JR., JEREMIAH J. MCCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON.

Moderator :

GEORGE W. WIGGIN.

Town Clerk :

ORESTES T. DOE.

Treasurer :

NELSON E. NEWELL.

Assessors :

LAWRENCE J. KELLEY, HENRY R. JENKS,
JAMES O. CHILSON.

Overseers of the Poor :

GEORGE N. GASKILL, WILTON A. POND,
GEO. E. EMERSON.

Auditor :

WILL S. JOHNSON.

Collector of Taxes :

EDWARD H. SHERMAN.

School Committee:

JOSEPH P. BASSETT,	Term expires 1904
AMBROSE J. GALLISON,	" " 1905
WILLIAM A. WYCKOFF,	" " 1906

Board of Health:

DWIGHT M. HODGE,	Term expires 1904
GREGORY A. MARTIN,	" " 1905
MARSTON SANBORN,	" " 1906

Constables:

LEWIS R. WHITAKER,	JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,
FRED L. DAVIS.	

Tree Warden:

WALTER M. FISHER.

Fence Viewers:

HORACE W. HOSIE,	AMOS P. WOODWARD,
WILTON A. POND.	

Field Drivers:

BERNARD F. CALLAHAN,	LEROY W. STOTT,
HENRY E. POOR.	

Pound Keeper:

CHARLES F. ATKINSON.

Committee of Fifteen:

LAWRENCE J. KELLEY,	HORACE W. HOSIE,
BRADLEY M. ROCKWOOD,	JOSEPH P. BASSETT,
DR. DWIGHT M. HODGE,	GEORGE N. GASKILL,
JEREMIAH J. MCCARTHY,	ORESTES T. DOE,
LEROY W. STOTT,	HENRY E. RUGGLES,
CHARLES E. WOODWARD,	FRED P. CHAPMAN,
JOHN G. CUNNINGHAM,	JOHN P. COSTELLO,
THOMAS G. THAIN.	

Assistant Town Clerk:

NELSON E. NEWELL.

Town Officers Appointed

By the Selectmen.

Superintendent of Streets:

CHARLES R. GOWEN.

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

FRED L. DAVIS.

Inspector of Kerosene Oil:

GEO. I. PECK.

Surveyors of Lumber:

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,

ELMER M. WADSWORTH,

EDWARD S. COOK,

CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,

E. LOVELL METCALF.

Weighers of Coal and Hay:

HARRY BULLUKIAN,

EDWARD J. ST. JOHN,

NATHAN B. ARNOLD,

ALEXANDER M. HAGGART

JOSEPH E. CLARK,

ELMER M. WADSWORTH,

FRED E. OSBORNE.

Auctioneers:

DAVID W. CORSON,

ULYSSES L. BURNS

HERBERT L. METCALFE.

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Day Officer and Liquor Officer :

JOHN H. TYLER.

Lock up Keeper :

WILLIAM REDPATH.

Measurers of Grain :

NATHAN B. ARNOLD,	CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,
JAMES F. RAY,	WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,
ELMER M. WADSWORTH.	

Measurers of Wood and Bark :

EDWARD ST. JOHN,	EDWARD S. COOK,
WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,	T. JEFFERSON DANIELS,
CLARENCE H. WOODWARD,	THOMAS B. ALLEN,
ELMER M. WADSWORTH.	

Registrars of Voters :

BERNARD F. CALLAHAN,	Term expires 1904
CHARLES A. R. RAY,	" " 1905
MICHAEL J. COSTELLO,	" " 1906
ORESTES T. DOE, ex-officio.	

Public Weigher :

WILLIAM S. GOODWIN.

Reports of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

TO THE VOTERS OF FRANKLIN:

The Board of Selectmen organized by the election of Alfred Clark, Jr., as chairman and Nelson E. Newell was appointed secretary for the Board. Charles R. Gowen was continued as Superintendent of Highway.

No radical change in the methods of highway repairs have been made the past year and the Board has endeavored to make judicious uses of the appropriation made by the town.

Voters will see from the financial part of the annual report that the appropriation for public scales was not used. Early in the summer the Chairman of the Board to whom the direction of this matter was referred made several attempts to secure a suitable site, and made all other necessary arrangements for carrying out the project, but by the failure to secure a property location and the death of Mr. Clark, the delay extended until too late in the season to push the project at present.

During the year the death of the chairman disturbed the pleasant relations existing in the board and made additional responsibility for the remaining members.

Mr. Clark's interest in town affairs is well known to the citizens, and he brought into the management of municipal matters the same intentness of purpose that he exercised in private affairs.

ESTIMATES.

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Town the Selectmen present the following estimates for Town expenses the ensuing year. For schools, as estimated by the School Committee :

Appropriation for schools,	\$20,000 00
Appropriation for deficit (1903),	1,406 94
Total,	<hr/> \$21,406 94
Special appropriation for heating apparatus for Town Hall and Nason street schools, already expended,	\$1,118 00
Special appropriation for the transportation of pupils by electric R. R.,	350 00
Special appropriation for heating and ventilating system at Arlington street school, recommended by State Inspector Moore,	1,450 00
Roads, bridges and walks,	6,000 00
For poor, estimated by overseers,	5,000 00
Fire department,	3,500 00
Street lights,	3,900 00
Abatement and collection of taxes,	900 00
For notes payable,	4,000 00
Payment of interest,	1,100 00
Town officers,	1,700 00
Printing and stationery,	450 00
Police and suppression illegal liquor selling,	1,500 00
State aid,	400 00
Soldiers' relief,	500 00
Public Library,	800 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Water for hydrants,	4,040 00
Care of sewers and beds,	75 00
Miscellaneous town expenses,	1,300 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,
Selectmen of Franklin.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

The Board of Assessors respectfully submit the following report :

Total valuation of Real and Personal Property, \$3,612,415 00

As follows :

Valuation of Buildings,	\$1,688,250 00
Valuation of Land,	859,920 00
Valuation of Personal Property,	931,765 00
Valuation of Bank Stock,	132,480 00
	\$3,612,415 00

Gain over year 1902, \$12,145.

Rate of taxation, \$15.00 per \$1000

Amount of Tax committed to Edward H.

Sherman, Collector, \$58,631 14

As follows :

On Real and Personal Estate,	\$52,201 70
Franklin National Bank Stock,	3,600 00
1299 Poll Taxes,	2,598 00
Excise Tax M., A. & W. St. R'y,	150 21
Excise Tax M. & M. St. R'y,	81 23
	\$58,631 14

\$1,987 20 is the amount the Town of Franklin receives from the Bank Tax.

State Tax,	\$2,850 00
County Tax,	2,582 02
Town Grant,	52,930 00
Overlayings,	815 14
	\$59,177 16

TAX ABATEMENTS, WITH CAUSES FOR SAME.

YEAR 1902.

Allen, John F., removed,	\$2 00
Blake, Elizabeth A., widow's exemption. ~ Real,	3 00
Blake, George A. A., dead. Poll and personal,	2 15
Bennett, Frank H., on town poor list,	2 00

Barnes, Harry B., removed,	2 00
Boyle, Walter, paid tax as Boyce,	2 00
Bratton, Peter, unknown,	2 00
Byrnes, John W., dead,	2 00
Burton, Richard, not taxable age,	2 00
Croston, Ellen Mrs., widow's exemption, real,	7 50
Cauldwell, John T., on town poor list,	2 00
Carr, John, disability,	2 00
Carbo Ramie, wrong name,	2 00
Chilson, Stillman R., California, Wheaton, assessed,	2 00
Conley, John H., removed, unknown,	2 00
Cook, Bliss, removed Minneapolis,	2 00
Caswell, Elmer E., moved before tax bill committed,	2 00
Caswell, Walter F., removed, unknown,	2 00
Cote, O., cannot identify,	2 00
Clark, Henry, dead,	2 00
Cobb, Chester M., paid tax in Melrose,	2 00
Dalton, Benjamin, unable to pay his share, public charge,	2 00
Davis, Henry, same as Chas. Davis, who paid,	2 00
Dago, Peter, wrong name,	2 00
Duffee, Michael, removed,	2 00
Duffour, Henry, removed,	2 00
Darling, Ira E., paid tax in Boston,	2 00
Everett, Alfred, resident Southboro,	2 00
Emmons, Wallace S., removed to Maine,	2 00
Evangeliste, Guilio, returned to Italy,	2 00
Ellis, H. L., removed, unknown,	2 00
Follensbee, James, dead. Poll and real,	2 23
Farrell, Richard, removed, unknown,	2 00
Feeley, Daniel, removed, unknown,	2 00
Fiske, Samuel N., dead,	2 00
Gammons, Andrew W., non resident,	2 00
Gay, Henry W., dead,	2 00
Guild, Joseph G., dead,	2 00
George, Peter, dead,	2 00
Giancola, Earmine, mistake in name, can't identify,	2 00
Haggerty, Dennis, removed, unknown,	2 00

Hubert, Isaac W., removed, unknown,	2 00
Hristakes, Nicholas, mistake in name,	2 00
Hart, Michael, (elder) old age,	2 00
Holmes, Wm. H., removed, unknown,	2 00
Jacobs, Frank C., did not own, personal,	1 72
Kasurian, N., removed before tax bill committed,	2 00
Kelly, James M., non resident,	2 00
Lagacy, Edward, claimed residence Woonsocket,	2 00
Lombardi, Fortunati, not taxable age,	2 00
Lombardi, Nicola, not taxable age,	2 00
Lombardi, Luizi, removed,	2 00
Lombardi, Luigi, same man as above,	2 00
Long, Dennis, one of town poor,	2 00
McGlorg, Robert F., removed, unknown,	2 00
Maccarian, T., not of taxable age,	2 00
Mitchel, Dominick, paid tax as Dominick Mucciarone,	2 00
Maroney, William, removed,	2 00
Muccarone, Michele, mistake in tax,	2 00
McKinnon, James B., removed,	2 00
Nardyne, Julye, not taxable age,	2 00
Newell, Homer B., taxed twice,	2 00
Osgood, Clarence, removed, unknown,	2 00
Osgood, Eva L., removed, unknown. Personal,	2 40
Oclair, Joseph, family deserted,	2 00
Ordway, Eugene C., removed, unknown,	2 00
O'Donnell, Patrick, removed, unknown,	2 00
Parish, Charles, unable to pay his share, public charge,	2 00
Pewsey, William, removed, unknown,	2 00
Peters, Charles, removed before tax bill committed,	2 00
Query, James O., removed,	2 00
Rastery, James W., removed,	5 00
Rico, Michael, removed,	2 00
Ribero, William F., lives in Boston, not Franklin,	2 00
Ray, James F., did not own. Personal,	4 50
Saunders, William, removed. Poll and personal,	2 60
Schwab, Louis, removed,	2 00
Tatro, Frank A., removed,	2 00
Tanneth, Giacomo, removed,	2 00

Vallone, Antonio, unknown,	2 00
Worthly, Henry A., removed. Poll and personal,	3 13
Wyman, Fred P., paid tax in Belmont,	2 00
Wayland, Palliser, removed,	2 00
White, Daniel, removed,	2 00
White, Charles O., claimed residence Woonsocket,	2 00
Wylie, Fred, removed,	2 00
Williams, John, not taxable age,	2 00

NON RESIDENT.

J. Aldrich, Jefferson, A. J. Gilmore paid this tax. Real,	\$1 50
Guttentog, Joseph, McGinnis acc't not collectable,	3 00
Thayer, Francis N., McGinnis acc't not collectable,	2 77

AT VARIOUS TIMES.

Martin, G. A., did not own. Personal,	\$60 00
Ray, Edgar K., taxed twice. Real estate,	30 00
Mrs. Michael Wade, widow's exemption. Real estate,	7 50
Mrs. Addie D. Bourne, overvalue. Real estate,	5 25
Bradford N. Wales, overvalue. Real estate,	1 50
Mrs. Abbie Wadsworth, overvalue. Real estate,	1 20
Thaddeus Caldwell, overvalue. Real estate,	75

Total,	\$301 70
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LAWRENCE J. KELLEY,	} Assessors of Franklin.
HENRY R. JENKS,	
JAMES O. CHILSON,	

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1902 TAX.

Balance due February 1, 1903,	\$13,102 05
Interest collected, 1902 tax,	270 33

Paid Nelson E. Newell, treasurer,	\$12,719 12
Total abatements, 1902,	301 70
Paid excise tax, Medfield & Medway Street Railway,	81 23
Paid interest collected,	270 33
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	\$13,372 38 \$13,372 38

1903 TAX.

Poll and property taxes committed to me,	\$58,353 90
Omitted polls committed to me,	44 00
Omitted real estate committed to me,	1 80
Excise tax, Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Street Railway,	150 21
Excise tax, Medfield & Medway Street Railway,	81 23
Paid Nelson E. Newell, treasurer,	\$45,099 79
Paid Nelson E. Newell, treasurer, the excise tax, Milford, Attle- boro & Woonsocket Street Rail- way,	150 21
Balance due February 1, 1904,	13,381 14
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	\$58,631 14 \$58,631 14

SEWER TAX COMMITTED TO ME OCTOBER 13, 1903.

As ordered and determined by the Board of Selectmen on the 27th day of February, A. D. 1903, for connecting the draining of the following estates, with the main drain and common sewer constructed in the Timnah brook district and for the permanent use thereof.

Horace W. Hosie,	\$133 65*
Lydia P. Ray and Mrs. Annie Ray Thayer,	88 80*
Lydia P. Ray and Mrs. Annie Ray Thayer,	89 70*
Mrs. Clara H. Sherman,	87 90*

Mrs. Abby Cotton,	126 47*	
Mrs. Gertrude Thayer,	100 00†	
Charles E. Whiting,	122 88†	
The first four taxes named have been		
paid to Treasurer Newell, am't,		\$400 05
Leaving a balance due the town, of		349 35
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	\$749 40	\$749 40

* South side Emmons street. † South side Central street. ‡ North side Emmons street.

This statement shows \$58,720.73 paid into the treasury from poll, property, excise street railway and sewer taxation during the fiscal year 1903—being \$688.21 more than in 1902, and leaves a balance of *one year's taxes only* due upon the books.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. SHERMAN,
Collector.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Nelson E. Newell, treasurer, in account with town of Franklin, February 1, 1903, to February 1, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury,		\$1,552 70
E. H. Sherman, collector of taxes,	\$12,719 12	
E. H. Sherman, collector abatements,	301 70	
E. H. Sherman, collector Medfield & Medway Street Railway excise tax, 1902,	81 23	
E. H. Sherman, interest, 1902,	270 33	
	<hr/>	\$13,372 38

E. H. Sherman, collector tax, 1903,	\$45,099 79	
E. H. Sherman, collector Milford, Woonsocket & Attleboro excise tax, 1903,	150 21	45,250 00
City of Boston, on poor account,	\$111 00	
Town of Wrentham, poor account,	108 00	
Town of Millis, poor account,	291 76	
Town of Blackstone, poor account,	28 44	
Town of Walpole, poor account,	24 00	
Town of Sherborn, poor account,	18 74	
Town of Norfolk, poor account,	248 75	
Town of Easton, poor account,	93 54	
State treasurer, poor account,	27 88	
H. F. Munroe, poor account,	8 00	
Almshouse,	1,169 31	2,129 42
Temporary notes,	\$22,000 00	
State treasurer, railway franchise tax,	422 19	
State treasurer, corporation tax,	2,166 20	
State treasurer, National Bank tax,	204 53	
State treasurer, military aid,	148 00	
State treasurer, state aid,	1,204 00	
State treasurer, burial of soldiers,	70 00	
State treasurer, school account,	186 50	
County treasurer, dog licenses,	656 74	27,058 16
District court fines,	\$231 10	
Fines paid at Dedham jail,	90 00	
Dean academy, for sewer,	500 00	
E. H. Sherman, sewer tax,	400 05	
Town of Norfolk, school account,	32 25	1,253 40
Town of Bellingham, school account,	\$419 25	
Filling sold, roads,	15 00	
George W. Wiggin, gravel pit,	25 00	
W. M. Fisher, for work on common,	188 20	
M. Carr, state aid,	48 00	

Interest on Lucretia Pond fund,	35 30	
Junk dealers' licenses,	20 00	
Fireworks licenses,	6 00	
Slaughtering licenses,	2 00	
Billiard licenses,	6 00	
Circus licenses,	22 00	
Auction licenses,	4 00	
Dean Academy, road work,	16 00	
Badges sold,	3 25	
Spring Pond Ice Company, lumber,	5 41	
W. A. Pond, manure,	6 00	
Miscellaneous,	60	
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Total,		<hr/>
		\$91,438 07

DISBURSEMENTS.

School teachers' salaries,	\$10,676 50	
Janitors,	1,407 50	
Transportation of pupils,	2,299 15	
Books and supplies,	1,493 52	
Repairs of school building,	2,507 76	
Schoolhouse fuel,	1,285 62	
School miscellaneous,	484 88	
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		\$20,154 93
Roads, bridges and walks,	\$6,479 52	
Almshouse,	3,513 90	
Outside poor,	3,993 72	
Fire department,	2,889 94	
Police and suppression illegal liquor traffic,	1,414 65	
Payment of town officers,	1,683 44	
Printing and stationery,	466 15	
Street lighting,	3,890 00	
Support of library,	800 00	
Memorial day,	100 00	
Payment of notes,	26,000 00	
State, county and bank taxes,	7,028 69	

Payment of interest,	1,247 38	
Water for hydrants,	4,040 00	
State aid,	1,260 00	
Soldiers' relief,	494 35	
Concrete walks,	199 47	
Improvement of common,	100 00	
Dedication of soldiers' monument,	50 00	
Town cemetery,	35 30	
Abatement and collection of taxes,	887 58	
Miscellaneous town expenses,	1,677 24	
	<hr/>	68,251 33
Cash Feb. 1, 1904,		3,631 81
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		\$91,438 07

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

The Board of Overseers submit the following annual report of the poor department for the year 1904 :

The appropriation for the year,	\$5,500 00
Expended,	5,373 20
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Balance,	\$126 80

Owing to the severe winter our calls for fuel and other necessities have been largely increased. Most of our wood has been taken from the Town Farm at a great saving.

The management of the almshouse under the supervision of Superintendent and Matron Atkinson has been very satisfactory and conducted in an economical and business like manner, showing great interest for the comfort and pleasure of all in the house.

We have due us from other towns and state, \$597.65, and unpaid bills about the same as last year.

INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>
George Daniels,	61	52
George Granger,	80	52
Jane Jackson,	87	52
Betsey Hawkins,	74	52
Mary Gellaney,	42	52
Patrick Phillips,	84	52
Mrs. Patrick Phillips,	82	52
John Hussey,	57	44
Charles A. Clark, (deceased)	92	23
Mary E. Jackson, (deceased)	53	5
Abby Jencks,	—	5
Thomas Madden,	60	5
Daniel Donohue,	—	3
Dennis Long,	58	19
Mrs. Abby Shay,		19
Mary Lisbon,	—	2
Lewis Lisbon,		2
Mary Poopart and child,		4
Family of four,		208

G. E. EMERSON,
 GEO. N. GASKILL,
 W. A. POND,
 Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1904.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN:

We have responded to the following alarms:

February 18. Box 13, H. R. Jenks, carriage repository.
 Insured.

- February 20. Box 8, Waterman's laundry. Damage slight.
 April 10. Box 41, chimney fire. No damage.
 April 19. Box 42, Thayer's straw shop. Total loss.
 May 16. Box 13, dwelling house, Flora Whiting. Damage
 \$100. Insured.
 June 8. Box 13, dwelling house, Martha Stewart. Damage
 \$100. Insured.
 August 21. Box 8, George P. Mason's house, Alpine place.
 Damage \$125.
 October 24. Box 41, chimney fire. No loss.
 Nov. 18. Box 8, Woonsocket Electric Machine & Power Co.
 Loss \$100. Insured.
 Nov. 16. Box 24, tenement house of Santina Fiorani.
 Damage slight.

The Fire Department consists of one engine company, four hose companies and one hook and ladder company, all the apparatus being in need of more or less repair, such as painting, etc.

Your Board would recommend an additional fire alarm signal at Nason's Crossing, also we would recommend the sum of \$3500 for the purchase of hose and use of department.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,
 JOHN G. CUNNINGHAM,
 LAWRENCE E. MORRISEY,
 WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY,
 ROSWELL K. STEVENS,

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN:

Your Board of Health begs leave respectfully to report that during the past year there has been no epidemic of dis-

ease in this town. The number of cases of contagious disease has been small. There have been two cases of diphtheria, both occurring in outlying districts. Eleven cases of scarlet fever, and three cases of typhoid have occurred during the year. There have been no cases of measles, small pox, or whooping cough reported to this Board.

Arrangements for the supply of state antitoxin have been made and this Board will always supply the physicians of Franklin with fresh antitoxin upon application.

The law requires that all meat slaughtered in town shall be inspected and branded by the Board of Health or its agent. The Board is prepared to attend to this duty and no meat can be legally sold in Franklin which has not been duly branded.

The Board feels itself called upon to urge that the upper part of Main street be provided with suitable sewerage at an early day. Our largest hotel is situated upon this part of Main street and it is only a question of time when sewerage will be ordered here by the higher authorities, and it will be wise for the town to anticipate such action and provide proper sewerage in its own way. We would most urgently warn the people of Franklin against delay in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. MARTIN,
DWIGHT M. HODGE,
MARSTON SANBORN,
Board of Health.

REPORT OF LIQUOR OFFICER.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Feb. 7, 1904.

TO THE HONORABLE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

I submit herewith my report as Liquor Officer for the past eleven months.

Upon my appointment I at once entered upon my duties.

I found a number of places where it was reported that cider was being sold. A warning from me was in most of these cases sufficient.

Raids have been made upon the following parties: Domonico Areno, for illegal keeping, was convicted in the lower court, and the liquor found was confiscated. An appeal was taken and in the superior court he was acquitted, James Gordon was fined \$50 for illegal transportation, a large quantity of liquors being taken. Smith & Sons of Milford connected in the affair were summoned into court and their case put on file. The New Central House was raided and a quantity of liquor was seized and turned over to the state, the proprietor leaving town immediately afterwards. I have a warrant for his arrest, as also for John Laremy who was raided. Musha was arrested and fined \$50 for illegal keeping. For keeping a liquor nuisance the court placed the matter on file. James McParland has been raided and a quantity of liquor has been seized. This case is now pending. Other raids have been made without success. I have arrested twelve for drunkenness.

It should be remembered that there are four express teams legally distributing liquors in Franklin, which cannot be interfered with. The public should discriminate between the legal use and the illegal sale of liquors, which business in the latter case I have honestly tried to put down.

I believe that there has been less drunkenness on our streets for the past ten months than during any similar time in the past eight years. Outside of the legal express business I can safely say that there is very little liquor handled in Franklin.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. TYLER,
Liquor Officer.

REPORT OF NIGHT POLICE AND KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Feb. 1, 1904.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

I began my duties as night officer August 12; lockup keeper September 4. Made 6 arrests for drunkenness, 2 for assault and battery and 1 for disturbing the peace. Number of stores found open, 7. Number of lodgers put up, 273.

Yours respectfully,

HARRY NORRIS.

Other Reports of Public Interest.

REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE ON IM- PROVING THE COMMON.

The committee appointed by the Business association to collect funds for the purpose of improving the common met with a generous response from its appeal to the citizens, who subscribed various amounts. The sum of \$366.25 in cash, and labor to the amount of \$37.50 were contributed.

The committee worked on the principle that it would be better not to begin more than could be carried out, and therefore did not attempt to cover too much ground, and as the most immediate need for improvement was at the southern end of the grounds around the new Soldiers' monument, the entire sum was expended in grading this section and laying out new walks.

The following is an itemized account of receipts and expenditures :

MAY, 1903.

Subscriptions received by G. F. S. Singleton, cash,	\$302 75
Subscriptions received by Alfred Clark, Jr., cash,	12 50
Subscriptions received by W. M. Fisher, cash,	51 00
	<hr/> \$366 25

Paid K. R. Jewett, team and labor,	\$82 75	
J. G. Cunningham, team and labor,	15 75	
P. Reynolds,	12 00	
J. Costello,	2 00	
J. Reilly, 106 loads gravel,	8 48	
Labor and teams, see pay roll,	50 00	
J. Reilly, 101 loads gravel,	7 07	
Labor and teams, see pay roll,	50 00	
Cash to town, men and teams,	188 20	
	<hr/>	366 25

LABOR AND TEAMS, WORK CONTRIBUTED.

Clark & Gaskill,	\$25 00	
Peter Dailey,	3 50	
J. J. Stewart,	4 50	
J. G. Cunningham,	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$37 50

While this small part is completed, much more remains to be done both in this section and in other parts of the grounds. The importance of this work to the town is evident and we trust the citizens of Franklin at the annual March meeting will take the matter up and will appropriate a sum sufficient to carry the work on from year to year, making these grounds attractive and an honor to the town.

WALTER M. FISHER,
G. F. S. SINGLETON,
J. J. McCARTHY,

REPORT OF THE FRANKLIN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Library was regularly opened to the public during the year ending January 31, 1904.

The number of persons taking books for home use was 605; the number of books drawn was 11,172.

The accessions of bound volumes by purchase was 103 volumes; by donation 34; by binding magazines 16. There were also added 31 pamphlets.

The reading-room received by gift "The Franklin Sentinel," "The Club Woman" and Woman's Journal."

The income from the Dr. Dean Fund can be used only for the purchase of books, and has enabled the Library Association to expend for books during the year, \$293.24.

The fund available for the support of the Library at the beginning of the year was \$89.64; the town at its annual meeting appropriated \$800; from other sources there was received, \$34.07, making a total of \$923.71. The payments amounted to \$908.56, leaving a balance of \$15.15.

This is the smallest balance for several years, and, in order to defray the expenses of the Library for the ensuing year, the town is respectfully asked for an appropriation of \$800.

This sum would be insufficient were it not for the munificent generosity of Mrs. Lydia P. Ray Peirce and Mrs. Annie Ray Thayer, who, through the Ray Memorial Association, have "tendered to the Franklin Library Association the use and occupation of the Memorial Building, free of all expense for rent, heating, lighting and care, subject to such general terms and conditions as shall be mutually agreed upon between the two Associations."

MARY A. WIGGIN,

For the Directors.

EXPENDITURES.

PAID FOR SCHOOLS.

TEACHERS.

NO. WEEKS.

Irving H. Gamwell, Superintendent and Principal, Horace Mann,		\$1,560 00
Frances E. King, Horace Mann,	27	364 50
Lillian H. Favour, “	34 8-10	432 40
Elizabeth M. Dunning, “	20	240 00
Viola Russell, “	16	200 00
Bertha F. Lawrence, “	35	420 00
Alice Wiggin, “	34 6-10	449 80
Susan R. Cutts, “	18 4-10	217 20
Hattie Skillings, “	16 7-10	200 00
Isabel M. Reilly, Wm. M. Thayer,	33 9-10	389 85
Maud E. McClure, “	33 9-10	339 00
Katherine C. Mason, “	17 8-10	178 00
Jennie P. Baker, “	33 7-10	337 00
Clara E. Nixon, “	15	150 00
Clementine Guigon, Nason Street,	18 9-10	170 10
Katherine B. Read, “	14 6-10	138 20
Ellen J. Butters, “	34	340 00
Lucy E. Tower, “	34	340 00
Charles F. Frazer, “	15	165 00
Alma A. Knowlton, “	15	150 00
Margaret M. Sullivan, Arlington Street,	34	340 00
Alma A. Knowlton, “	19	190 00
Helen M. Thompson, “	19	114 00

	NO. WEEKS.	
Clementine S. Guigon, Arlington Street,	14 8-10	\$ 125 80
Emma J. Holmes, "	15	150 00
Harriet Means, "	15	120 00
Rebecca Dunning, Brick,	33	330 00
Ethel M. Harding, Four Corners,	17	170 00
Sarah C. Barrett, "	14 9-10	149 00
Clara E. Nixon, Unionville,	19	190 00
Charlotte T. Walcott, "	18 2-10	154 70
Beulah A. Woodward, "	15	150 00
Helen E. Thompson, "	5	42 50
Edna M. Winters, "	3	24 00
Emma J. Holmes, City Mills,	19	171 00
Ellen M. Skerry, Central Square,	16	160 00
Pearl L. Jacobs, "	19	190 00
Mrs. Wm. Elkerton, "	10 6-10	106 00
Pearl L. Jacobs, Town Hall,	15	150 00
Ellen M. Skerry, "	15	150 00
Mabel H. Aldrich, Substitute,	2	15 00
Edith M. Hodge, "	2 2-10	20 60
Ruth E. King, "	2-10	1 50
Edna F. Eaton, "	7-10	7 00
Caroline Guigon, "	6-10	4 50
Mrs. Osborne, "	1 4-10	14 00
Mildred Lyon, "	4-10	2 00
Mabel F. Hutchinson, "	7 8-10	93 60
Mrs. Alice Duprez, "	2-10	2 00
Minta Gowen, Monitor,		74 50
Lillian Christianson, "		1 75
Mrs. Annie Jenness, "		4 00
Mrs. Lizzie T. Hosmer, Music,	36	288 00
Adra R. Mason, Art,	35	190 00
Total,		<hr/> \$10,676 50

The teachers' bills for January, 1904, amounting to \$1,300 10 are not included in the above.

PAID FOR SCHOOL JANITORS.

C. E. Campbell, Horace Mann and Town Hall,	52 weeks,	\$549 00
Elmer Thayer, Wm. M. Thayer and Nason street,	52 "	635 00
William Bonsall, City Mills,	23 "	11 50
John Dunning, Brick,	38 "	28 50
Benj. Bennett, Unionville,	38 "	47 50
John F. McGroary, Central Square,	23 "	29 00
Wm. Winters, Four Corners,	31 "	23 25
Homer Winters, Four Corners,	1 2-5 "	5 25
Edward Reese, Arlington Street,	1 "	1 50
Frank Perron, Arlington Street,	25 "	46 00
Carl Carlson, Arlington Street,	12 "	27 00
John McGroary, Town Hall,	2 "	2 00
Elmer Thayer,	car fare,	50
Chas. Johnson,	"	1 50
Total,		\$1,407 50

PAID FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

A. F. Pendleton, North West district, 19 weeks,	\$408 50
J. W. Stobbart, North West district, 19 "	330 00
John H. Tyler, So. Franklin district, 34 "	452 00
J. F. Leonard, So. Franklin district, 4 "	60 00
John H. Tyler, Mount district, 34 "	273 75
J. F. Leonard, Mount district, 4 "	60 00
Nathan Daniels, Grove Street district, 8 "	40 00
R. B. H. Morrill, City Mills district, 4 "	44 00
Wm. F. Morrill, City Mills district, 8 3-5 "	101 50
J. F. Leonard, City Mills district, 6 "	75 00
J. H. Tyler, State Wards,	30 50
Street railroad tickets for pupils,	423 90
Total,	\$2,299 15

PAID FOR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

D. C. Heath & Co.,	books and supplies,	\$10 24
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	"	14 63
Boston School Supply Co.,	"	3 75
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	"	487 49
The Morse Co.,	"	12 95
D. Appleton & Co.,	"	4 62
American Book Co.,	"	253 04
Silver, Burdette & Co.,	"	68 79
Ginn & Co.,	"	144 63
R. I. News Co.,	"	8 07
Samuel Ward Co.,	"	4 15
Maynard, Merrill & Co.,	"	60
Commonwealth of Mass.,	"	6 00
Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co.,	"	22 20
Allyn & Bacon,	"	16 34
F. J. Barnard & Co.,	"	88 35
Mass. Bible Society,	"	1 40
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	"	2 00
The New Eng. Pub. Co.,	"	4 80
Public School Pub. Co.,	"	16 70
Milton Bradley Co.,	"	62 62
J. B. Lippincott Co.,	"	43 70
Powers & Lyons,	"	2 10
Educational Pub. Co.,	"	23 17
J. S. Wesby & Sons,	"	2 18
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.,	"	10 43
A. J. Wilkinson & Co.,	supplies,	1 55
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	"	39 77
Shepard Co.,	"	2 27
Arthur W. Hall Scient. Co.,	"	5 47
Atkinson & Mentzer,	"	21 99
Remington Typewriter Co.,	"	85
The Smith Premier Typewriter Co.,	"	1 50
The Oliver Typewriter Co.,	"	2 11
Bureau of Nat. Lit. and Art.,	"	3 40
Houghton & Dutton,	"	7 65
Brown Bros. Co.,	"	2 10

The Mitchell Mfg. Co.,	supplies,	\$ 2 75
Carl B. Johnson,	"	17 00
Adra R. Mason,	"	3 50
D. W. Fisher & Co.,	"	3 16
E. L. Freeman & Sons,	"	1 05
Hope Rubber Co.,	"	1 00
Milwaukee Dustless Brush Co.,	"	17 55
Beck Duplicator Co.,	"	5 00
A. B. White & Co.,	"	45
Albert C. Mason,	"	2 48
Bay State Card & Paper Co.,	"	2 03
Marine Biological Laboratory,	"	2 45
C. S. Jennison,	"	2 50
U. S. Dept. of Agriculture,	"	16
A. Farrington,	curtains,	28 83
Total,		<hr/> \$1,493 52

PAID FOR SCHOOL FUEL.

A. M. Haggart & Co., coal,	\$187 50
Geo. Bourbeau, coal,	860 84
Wilton A. Pond, wood,	228 00
Oliver Perron, labor on wood,	3 63
Wm. Bonsall, " "	1 13
Wm. Winters, " "	3 39
Carl Carlson, " "	1 13
Total,	<hr/> \$1,285 62

PAID FOR SCHOOL REPAIRS.

O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber,	\$106 28
Hosie Bros., fittings and supplies,	280 66
F. E. Dudley, carpenter work,	1,248 06
R. K. Stevens, carpenter work,	426 29

Alonzo Greenwood, labor and mason material,	\$65 66
Anthony Connor, painting and supplies,	144 47
Wm. McElwain, repairing blackboards,	152 79
Wesley Dinsmore, blackboards,	2 00
Magee Furnace Co., furnace parts,	6 10
A. J. Wilkinson & Co., padlock,	35
Eagle Lock Co., locks,	1 15
R. B. Stewart, labor,	1 50
Chas. Johnson, "	1 50
R. Fiorani, "	25 00
Adam Laundry, "	10 45
Geo. M. Dauphinee, "	10 27
Jas. F. Rose, "	2 65
John D. Hatch, "	2 15
Alfred Farrington, house furnishings,	13 62
E. F. Murphy, painting,	2 60
Mrs. E. C. Newcomb, mending flag,	25
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., freight charges,	3 36
Total,	<hr/> \$2,507 76

PAID FOR SCHOOL MISCELLANEOUS.

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone rental,	\$32 40
Woon. E. M. & Power Co., electric lights,	30 54
Franklin Water Co., water service,	61 00
J. F. Hussey, stoves, fitting, labor, etc.,	80 49
Kerwin R. Jewett, carting,	55 21
Razee's Express, carting,	4 50
J. F. Leonard, team hire,	12 25
A. M. Haggart & Co., use of team,	1 50
John Dunning, water,	2 25
Bridget Markemus, laundry work,	3 61
Ada L. Talcott, care of library,	9 45
Irene Hatch, care of library,	4 20
Frank W. Guild, labor on clocks,	4 75
Ethel Smith, copy work,	2 00

Chas. Badger, lamps,	\$ 10 40
G. I. Partridge, use of opera house,	17 00
Walter Slade, loan of plants,	2 50
W. A. Wyckoff, secretary of board 1 year,	50 00
W. A. Wyckoff, taking school census,	40 00
W. A. Wyckoff, expense,	69
C. B. Johnson, reports, etc.,	10 40
The Evening Call Pub. Co., advertising,	3 70
F. L. Davis, truant officer,	2 80
Trowbridge Piano Co., tuning piano,	2 50
Lillian H. Favour, expenses,	3 00
Jas. M. Tuell, drum straps,	50
N. C. Nye, dry goods,	2 05
E. F. Harttmann, Treas., cupboard,	3 00
W. E. Crowinshield, supplies,	75
G. I. Peck, supplies,	2 51
Warren Allds, chemicals,	50
Chas. Johnson, labor,	9 85
L. W. Daniels, “	12 50
James Cahill, “	1 83
Wm. H. Bonsall, “	1 00
Daniel Griffin, “	1 50
Chas. E. Campbell, car fares,	70
Elmer Thayer, “	1 05
Total,	<u>\$484 88</u>

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers,	\$10,676 50
Janitors,	1,407 50
Transportation of pupils,	2,299 15
Books and supplies,	1,493 52
Fuel,	1,285 62
Repairs,	2,507 76
Miscellaneous,	484 88
	<u>\$20,154 93</u>

INCOME.

Appropriation,	\$18,500 00
Appropriation, Trans. of pupils,	350 00
Town of Norfolk, tuition of pupils,	32 25
Town of Bell'ham, tuition of pupils,	419 25
State Treas., tuition of State wards,	186 50
Dog Licenses,	656 74
	<hr/> \$20,144 74
Account overdrawn,	\$ 10 19

ROADS, BRIDGES AND WALKS.

INCOME.

Appropriation,	\$6,000 00
Street Railroad Franchise Taxes,	422 19
Street Railroad Excise Taxes,	231 44
W. M. Fisher, subscription, Common,	188 20
Geo. W. Wiggin, sale of gravel pit,	25 00
Gravel sold,	15 00
Dean Academy, labor on sidewalk,	16 00
W. A. Pond, sale of manure,	6 00
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Total income,	\$6,903 83
Total expenditures,	6,479 52
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Unexpended balance,	\$ 424 31

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES.

PAID FOR LABOR.

Chas. R. Gowen, superintendent,	\$782 50
James Morrissey,	547 75

John Lemier, *	\$547 75
C. H. Ellis,	122 55
John Kane,	437 38
Michael B. Pisani,	422 49
Thos. Maroney,	201 27
Jos. Landry,	286 13
Peter Bertoni,	274 59
Jack Pisani,	211 26
Chas. P. Johnson,	119 39
Michael Bracher,	5 25
Angelo Mucciarone,	1 22
Mike Iadisernia,	3 50
T. W. Halloran,	9 63
W. F. King,	4 00
Alfred Clark,	40 00
Geo. W. Hill,	39
J. J. McCarthy,	52 25
Clark & Gaskill, men and teams,	162 01
John J. Stewart, "	7 00
Kerwin R. Jewett, "	5 00
Spring Pond Ice Co., "	38 25
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	\$4,281 56
Less labor applied to Common ac.,	29 24
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Total paid for labor,	\$4,252 32

PAID FOR GRAVEL.

Spring Pond Ice Co.,	\$11 65
E. Waite,	4 05
Geo. M. Dauphinee,	49 60
P. Sullivan,	10 90
John Landry,	5 50
Frank Hills,	2 95
Jas. Reilly,	3 00
Wm. F. King,	11 15

E. S. Cook,	\$1 70	
Jos. Fitzpatrick,	2 15	
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Total paid for gravel,		\$102 65

PAID FOR LABOR ON SNOW.

Geo. W. Bacon, team and men,	\$18 30	
Edw. S. Cook, "	10 40	
Geo. A. Allen, "	38 15	
Albert J. Newell, "	2 45	
Clark & Gaskill, "	33 30	
W. A. Pond, "	48 37	
W. R. Cook, "	4 20	
Robert Wyllie, "	7 35	
P. M. Dailey, "	3 35	
Chas. E. Davis, shovelling,	88	
T. J. Healey, Sr., "	1 75	
Patrick Reynolds, "	1 75	
J. S. Foster, "	1 00	
Angelo Potenza, "	52	
Geo. Skattuck, "	88	
A. M. Newcomb, "	2 70	
Bert Rhodes, "	1 75	
Wm. E. Ellis, "	1 75	
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Total paid for labor on snow,		\$178 85

PAID FOR GRAIN.

O. F. Metcalf & Sons,	\$251 80	
Jas. F. Ray,	139 27	
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Total,		\$391 07

PAID FOR HAY AND STRAW.

Warren H. Bright, hay,	\$105 05	
Monroe Morse, "	49 45	
L. W. Daniels, "	24 75	
J. Walter Sanborn, "	168 16	
C. R. Gowen, freight charge paid on hay,	101 80	
O. S. Stetson, straw,	19 48	
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Total,		\$468 69

PAID FOR BLACKSMITHING.

Wm. R. Nichols,	\$15 03	
D. F. O'Sullivan,	69 41	
John D. Hatch,	3 70	
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Total,		\$88 14

PAID FOR CONCRETE GUTTERS AND GRADING.

John A. Moore,	\$247 22
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PAID FOR GENERAL EXPENSES.

K. R. Jewett, street sprinkling,	\$60 00
J. J. McCarthy, lumber,	34 30
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, sawing lumber,	1 00
Clark & Gaskill, posts,	3 28
Hosie Bros., supplies,	70 32
Henry C. Peck, stone,	10 00
R. A. Stewart, repairs,	14 85
Spring Pond Ice Co., posts,	19 10
T. L. Martin, tools,	17 85
Jas. M. Tuell, supplies and repairs,	12 15

Geo. A. Allen, posts,	\$ 5 00
J. J. Stewart, moving dead horse,	3 00
W. Dinsmore, signs,	1 00
Franklin Water Co., water,	9 00
E. B. Metcalf, lumber,	56 00
W. Dinsmore, paint,	3 68
Chas. R. Gowen, expenses,	8 65
N. E. Newell, expenses,	1 50
W. A. Pond, lumber,	45 00
Jos. T. Hutchinson, stone,	19 00
Geo. A. Allen, exchange of horses,	75 00
J. J. McCarthy, granite,	2 00
Anton Carlson, building catch-basin,	2 05
S. C. Taft, surveying,	1 50
J. F. Leonard, team hire,	1 50
Chas. R. Gowen, one horse,	150 00
Dr. R. F. Mann, veterinary attendance,	5 00
Dr. H. A. Plimpton, " "	10 00
John McCarthy, labor on stone and sewer,	2 75
Eugene F. Ware, blankets,	5 00
Chas. R. Gowen, road-roller,	100 00
A. C. Dana & Son, supplies,	1 10
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Total paid for general expenses,	\$750 58

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS FOR ROADS, BRIDGES AND WALKS.

Paid for labor,	\$4,252 32
“ gravel,	102 65
“ labor on snow,	178 85
“ grain,	391 07
“ hay and straw,	468 69
“ blacksmithing,	88 14
“ concrete gutters and grading,	247 22
“ general expenses,	750 58
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Total,	\$6,479 52

PAID FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriated, \$3,000. Expended, \$2,889 94.

Pay Roll, Cataract Engine Co.,	\$480 00	
" J. G. Ray Hose Co., No. 4,	200 00	
" Herdic Hose Co., No. 2,	200 00	
" J. G. Ray Hose Co., No. 3,	230 00	
" Emerson H. & L. Co.,	249 96	
" Hose Co., No. 1,	203 33	
" Wm. Foster,	11 66	
" J. P. Molloy,	10 00	
" Chas. A. Spence,	10 00	
" Frank Clark,	3 33	
" Frank Hurd,	10 00	
" T. E. Feeley,	10 00	
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Engineers, J. G. Cunningham, Chief,	\$40 00	
" W. F. Buckley,	30 00	
" L. E. Morrissey,	30 00	
" R. K. Stevens,	30 00	
" Chris. R. Russell,	30 00	
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Stewards, Daniel Buckley,	\$5 00	
" Wm. E. Mosher,	6 00	
" Harry Spence,	10 00	
" Thomas Kearns,	5 00	
" Ernest L. Metcalf,	10 00	
" James T. Dauphinee,	10 00	
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Labor at Fires, F. E. Hurd,	\$3 25	
" Elmer Thayer,	3 25	
" J. S. Foster,	50	
" John Bassett,	2 50	
" John E. Keefe,	2 25	
" Geo. P. Keefe,	2 25	
" Wm. Despre,	3 25	
" Thos. Welch,	50	
" J. B. Fitzpatrick and others,	2 10	
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Hauling Apparatus, E. F. Winslow,	\$6 00	
“ Wm. E. Shields,	1 50	
“ McCabe & Cody,	6 27	
“ Geo. F. Grant,	1 00	
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Shovelling Snow, Timothy Murphy,	\$1 00	
“ P. McMann,	1 00	
“ Thos. H. Hastings,	1 20	
“ T. W. Halloran,	50	
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For Wood, T. J. Daniels,	\$9 00	
“ T. B. Allen,	6 50	
	<hr/>	15 50
Labor on Apparatus, Wm. E. Mosher,	\$1 35	
“ Harry Spence,	8 16	
“ J. G. Cunningham,	1 75	
“ T. W. Halloran,	1 50	
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Labor and repairs, G. H. Willoby,		94 54
Labor and supplies, R. K. Stevens,		8 39
Repairs and supplies, Clark Mch. & Fdy. Co.,		5 15
Rent of whistle, Woon, E. M. & P. Co.,		60 00
Rent of hose house, Inez L. Jones,		24 06
Land rent for hose house, Chas. H. Heaton,		20 00
Electric lights and repairs, Woon. E. M. & P. Co.,		54 30
Supplies, Hosie Bros.,		16 20
“ D. F. O’Sullivan,		1 00
“ J. B. Fitzpatrick,		7 91
“ J. A. & W. Bird & Co.,		25 88
“ Jas. M. Tuell,		1 00
J. B. Fitzpatrick, 50 belts,		5 50
J. B. Fitzpatrick, gloves and caps,		14 38
Anthony Connor, painting,		14 50
Razee’s Express, carting and freight charges,		2 02
J. T. Reilly, carting,		1 25
Ernest L. Metcalf, relief duty,		3 00
E. H. Sherman, Col., 75 poll taxes rebated,		150 00
Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., 800 feet hose,		440 00
“ “ “ repairs and supplies,		50 00
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Total paid for Fire Department,		\$2,889 94

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF ALMSHOUSE.

C. F. Atkinson, Superintendent, 1 year's salary,	\$500 00	
Labor, Chas. Fitzgerald,	\$220 00	
“ J. G. Follett,	31 10	
“ George Beamous,	18 00	
“ Annie McGaffeny,	35 00	
“ Lizzie Cody,	44 00	
“ Margaret Donohue,	14 00	
“ Edna Winters,	14 00	
“ Nora Greene,	22 00	
“ Clara Dalton,	34 00	
	<hr/>	\$432 10
Provisions, C. L. Fales & Co., groc.,	\$105 86	
“ G. I. Peck, groceries,	121 00	
“ McCabe & Cody, groceries,	51 37	
“ Edward E. Field, groceries,	46 05	
“ F. M. Richardson, meat, prov.,	82 07	
“ D. W. Corson, meat and prov.,	49 61	
“ G. E. Emerson, meat, prov.,	100 16	
“ A. B. Chilson, meat, prov.,	62 91	
“ E. E. Paine, fish,	42 77	
“ J. J. Stewart, milk,	7 88	
	<hr/>	669 68
Furnishings, Carter Clo. Co., clothing,	\$35 85	
“ People's Comb. Clo. Co., clothing,	47 88	
“ M. J. Costello, clothing,	37 06	
“ N. C. Nye, dry goods,	15 60	
“ M. Sanborn, dry goods,	37 03	
“ J. R. Hosford, dry goods,	22 21	
“ A. Farrington, for house,	12 33	
“ W. E. Crowninshield, kitchen supplies,	4 85	
“ D. P. Moran, shoes, repairs,	23 70	
“ Spring Pond Ice Co., ice,	13 92	
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Druggists Supplies, A. C. Dana & Son,	\$5 90	
“ A. C. Mason,	23 01	
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For Coal, American Woolen Co.,	\$22 10	
“ E. B. Sherman,	5 00	
“ A. M. Haggart & Co.,	98 40	
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Medical Att'd, Dr. C. H. Randall,	\$117 20	
“ Dr. G. A. Martin,	18 50	
“ Dr. Solon Abbott,	11 00	
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For Grain, O. F. Metcalf & Sons,	\$204 92	
“ Jas. F. Ray,	7 20	
“ Harry Bullukian,	154 52	
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Grain and pigs, Clark & Gaskill,		11 00
Hay, H. L. Leslie,		8 00
Fertilizers, A. M. Haggart & Co.,	\$95 50	
“ Geo. S. Hosie,	31 00	
Manure, D. W. Corson,	14 00	
	<hr/>	140 50
Veterinary Services, Dr. Plimpton,	\$2 00	
“ Dr. R. F. Mann,	4 00	
	<hr/>	6 00
Hardware Supplies, Hosie Bros.,		156 58
Seed, Thos. W. Emerson Co.,		6 82
Slaughtering, Wm. F. King,		4 00
For Cows, Clark & Gaskill,	\$130 00	
“ John J. Stewart,	65 00	
“ exchange Peter Gallagher,	40 00	
“ “ Geo. Cheney,	68 00	
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Hogs, H. M. Fish,		25 00
Poultry, H. A. Cook,		3 00
Tip-cart, J. G. Ray estate,		60 00
Doors, Screens, etc., O. F. Metcalf & Sons,		38 10
Wheelwright repairs, R. A. Stewart,		6 20

Machine knives, Henry R. Jenks,	\$1 40
Cutting wood, Chas. M. Tingley,	36 00
Measuring wood, E. S. Cook,	75
Cutting timber, C. M. Tingley,	10 25
Freight charges, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.,	25
Newspaper, J. W. Batchelder,	6 00
Buggy repairs, Jas. M. Tuell,	7 00
Expenses, C. F. Atkinson,	3 00
Barbering, Reed & Searle,	10 50
Watching sick, Wm. H. Haslam,	13 00
Drawing corn, Geo. A. Allen,	11 63
Carting, Razee's Express,	75
Repairs, W. E. Crowinshield,	8 96
Labor on Silo, Henry Hellibron,	\$15 75
“ Joseph Prue,	14 00
“ Chas. Johnston,	3 07
“ R. B. Stewart,	7 87
“ Adam Landry & men,	6 50
“ O. L. Bullard,	21 00
	<hr/> 68 19
Burial of C. Clark, paid A. Farrington,	23 00
“ Eliza Jackson, “	25 00
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Total paid for almshouse,	\$3,513 90

FOR POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

FRANK H. BENNETT.

Paid Geo. I. Peck, groceries,	\$12 00
Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	6 50
Geo. E. Emerson, provisions,	10 43
	<hr/> \$28 93

MRS. ADDISON BLAKE.

Paid A. B. Chilson, provisions,	\$94 38
Geo. A. Allen, wood,	12 38
	<hr/> 106 76

WM. BENNETT.

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	\$4 50
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PERPETHUNE BELAND.

Paid Mass. State Hospital,	140 00
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WM. BAXTER.

Paid Dr. S. Abbott, medical att'd,	20 50
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LUIGO DIAGIOMO (State).

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	15 00
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WM. DUMAS (State).

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	23 00
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WM. DYKE (State).

Paid Geo. E. Emerson, provisions,	\$4 35
Bresnahan Grocery Co., groceries,	8 00
Dr. C. H. Randall, medical att'd,	9 70
	<hr/> 22 05

CHAS. DAILY'S CHILD.

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	7 00
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MICHAEL DUFRA (State).

Paid McCabe & Cody, groceries,	\$26 06
D. P. Moran, shoes,	1 25
Geo. E. Emerson, provisions,	5 08
Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	4 00
W. A. Pond, wood,	5 00
Dr. J. M. Crowley, medical att'd,	14 00
	<hr/> 55 39

DANIEL DONOHUE. (Boston).

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	41 00
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HARVEY ELLIS (State).

Paid F. M. Richardson, provisions,		\$4 95
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WM. FISHER (Norfolk).

Paid for aid,	\$144 00	
T. B. Allen, wood,	2 75	
	<hr/>	146 75

MRS. AGNES P. FISHER (Norfolk).

Paid Alfred Farrington, burial outfit,		18 00
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JOSEPH GUILD.

Paid A. F. Everett, rent,	\$44 00	
Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	84 00	
	<hr/>	128 00

WM. GEORGE FAMILY.

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$1 00	
McCabe & Cody, groceries,	106 73	
Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	1 00	
C. M. Allen, milk,	11 10	
Mrs. W. F. Maintain, rent,	22 50	
	<hr/>	142 33

JOHN J. HENRY.

Paid Mass. State Hospital,		5 14
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MARTHA HOWE AND DAUGHTER.

Paid for aid,		104 00
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WM. HATFIELD.

Paid City of Worcester, hospital,		3 00
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J. H. HURLEY (Boston).

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$37 50	
Annie Atkinson, nursing,	55 50	
	<hr/>	93 00

LYMAN HILL,

Paid City of Boston, hospital,		\$154 00
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MRS. HATFIELD AND FAMILY.

Paid Geo. E. Emerson, provisions,	\$132 26	
Dr. Solon Abbott, medical att'd,	1 50	
	<hr/>	133 76

THOS. HOULIHAN.

Paid Mass. State Hospital,		9 14
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LOUISE JILLSON, (Wrentham.)

Paid for aid,		48 00
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GEORGE JOHNSON.

Paid F. M. Richardson, provisions,	\$12 34	
C. L. Fales & Co., groceries,	20 00	
	<hr/>	32 34

MRS. KINGSLEY.

Paid T. B. Allen, wood,	\$5 50	
A. M. Haggart & Co., coal,	2 00	
McCabe & Cody, groceries,	43 78	
Dr. J. M. Crowley, medical att'd,	25 00	
	<hr/>	76 28

TIMOTHY E. KANE FAMILY.

Paid Geo. E. Emerson, provisions,	\$14 32	
T. B. Allen, wood,	1 75	
Patrick Gorman estate, rent,	12 00	
Dr. C. H. Randall, medical att'd,	81 40	
Mary N. Plimpton, nursing,	28 00	
A. C. Mason, medicine,	12 85	
	<hr/>	150 32

MRS. JAS. LLOYD.

Paid Town of No. Attleboro, aid,		6 00
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ROSANNA LABADIE, (State.)

Paid Patrick, burial expenses,		18 00
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SARAH E. LOMBARD (Hyde Park.)

Paid for aid,	\$63 00	
William H. Lowell, board,	23 00	
Dr. Solon Abbott, medical att'd,	18 00	
Mrs. Ella F. Metcalf, nursing,	27 00	
Anna B. Lombard, nursing,	14 00	
Wm. H. Lowell, board of nurse,	10 50	
E. S. Wilson, board of nurse,	18 50	
	<hr/>	174 00

BURT MONROE FAMILY.

Paid Dr. W. Corson, provisions,	\$16 50	
Bresnahan Grocery Co., groceries,	30 00	
Mrs. J. H. Everett, rent,	16 00	
	<hr/>	62 50

ALBERT L. MERRIFIELD.

Paid Wm. H. Lowell, board and care,	\$96 00	
“ “ surgeon's bill paid,	30 00	
	<hr/>	126 00

MRS. L. H. MARSH.

Paid Dr. C. H. Randall, medical att'd,	15 00	
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MRS. MCFADDEN.

Paid O. Longway, care,	\$24 00	
Dr. C. H. Randall, medical att'd,	4 25	
	<hr/>	28 25

MRS. CHAS. MASON, (Norfolk.)

Paid A. M. Haggart & Co., coal,	\$4 00	
W. A. Pond, wood,	20 00	
T. B. Allen, wood,	50	
	<hr/>	24 50

MRS. McCORMIER.

Paid A. M. Haggart & Co., coal,	\$4 50	
Geo. I. Peck, groceries,	65 49	
	<hr/>	69 99

MRS. ANNIE E. MOSHER.

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	\$6 50	
C. L. Fales & Co., groceries,	44 00	
	<hr/>	50 50

HERBERT W. MANN.

Paid F. M. Richardson, provisions,	\$8 50	
Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	19 50	
	<hr/>	28 00

A. E. MORSE.

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$41 50	
T. B. Allen, wood,	7 00	
	<hr/>	48 50

EVA MORSE.

Paid Dr. C. H. Randall, medical att'd,		7 70
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O'CLAIRE FAMILY.

Paid Dr. J. M. Crowley, medical att'd,	\$1 50	
Dr. C. H. Randall, "	12 00	
O. Longway, care,	60 00	
	<hr/>	73 50

MRS. J. O'CONNELL AND FAMILY.

Paid C. L. Fales & Co., groceries,	\$90 00	
Dr. J. M. Crowley, medical att'd,	15 00	
T. B. Allen, wood,	1 75	
	<hr/>	106 75

MARGARET O'CONNELL.

Paid Boston almshouse, support,		10 29
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A. F. POULER, (State.)

Paid Geo. I. Peck, groceries,	\$6 19	
T. B. Allen, wood,	1 00	
	<hr/>	7 19

CHAS. PARISH AND FAMILY, (Millis.)

Paid Bresnahan Grocery Co., groceries,	\$70 50	
F. M. Richardson, provisions,	58 38	
Jos. P. Hutchinson, rent,	35 00	
T. B. Allen, wood,	18 00	
W. A. Pond, wood,	25 00	
Dr. J. M. Crowley, medical att'd,	11 00	
	<hr/>	217 88

PAUL RICHARDSON AND DAUGHTER, (Easton.)

Paid F. M. Richardson, provisions,	\$76 04	
Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	9 00	
	<hr/>	85 04

MRS. W. ROLLINSON.

Paid F. M. Richardson, provisions,	\$40 26	
Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,	18 50	
	<hr/>	58 76

ALBERT RHODES, (Wrentham.)

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$42 50	
Mrs. Annie Carroll, rent,	12 00	
E. F. Winslow, carting,	1 00	
Geo. I. Peck, groceries,	34 16	
	<hr/>	89 66

MRS. ROBERISON, (Taunton.)

Paid T. B. Allen, wood,	\$2 00	
Edith E. Irwin, shoes,	2 00	
Geo. I. Peck, groceries,	2 00	
	<hr/>	6 00

MRS. EVA J. STOCKER, (Walpole.)

Paid for aid,		24 00
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HERBERT SNOW, (Sherborn.)

Paid Dr. C. F. Hamlin, medical att'd,		18 00
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JAMES SULLIVAN.

Paid Dr. A. J. Gallison, medical att'd,		16 00
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MARTHA WHITE.

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$12 00	
T. B. Allen, wood,	5 38	
Sarah A. Dana, rent,	39 00	
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CATHERINE E. WINN AND FAMILY.

Paid Town of Medway, medical aid,	39 00
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GEO. FRANK YOUNG.

Paid Lucy A. Darling, rent,	\$16 50	
Mrs. John G. Palmer, nursing,	12 85	
F. M. Richardson, provisions,	21 60	
Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	12 00	
	<hr/>	62 95

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid N. E. Newell, expenses,	\$ 74	
F. M. Richardson, "	6 93	
W. A. Pond, "	4 75	
Geo. N. Gaskill, "	3 60	
G. E. Emerson, "	11 75	
H. E. Ruggles, legal services,	15 00	
J. G. Cunningham, team hire,	1 25	
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CARE OF INSANE POOR.

Paid Worcester Insane Hospital,		
For Virginia George,	\$52 00	
" Joseph Moreau,	184 32	
" Phillip Dolan,	126 74	
" Geo. E. Rich,	126 76	
	<hr/>	\$489 82
Paid Medfield Insane Hospital,		
For Jennie Rock,	\$109 20	
" Virginia George,	101 20	
	<hr/>	\$210 40
		700 22
Total paid for poor out of almshouse,		<hr/> \$3,993 72

SUMMARY SUPPORT OF POOR.

Total expenditures, poor out of almshouse, \$3,993 72

Received from Town of Millis,	\$291 76	
“ “ Wrentham,	108 00	
“ “ Blackstone,	28 44	
“ “ Walpole,	24 00	
“ “ Sherborn,	18 74	
“ “ Easton,	93 54	
“ “ Norfolk,	248 75	
“ City of Boston,	111 00	
“ State Treasurer,	27 88	
“ H. F. Monroe,	8 00	
	<hr/>	960 11
Net expenditure,		<hr/> \$3,033 61

Total expended, poor at almshouse,	\$3,513 90	
Less receipts from almshouse,	1,169 31	
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Net expenditure,		\$2,344 59
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Total net expenditures for all poor,		\$5,378 20
Appropriation for poor,	\$5,500 00	
Total unexpended balance,		121 80
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	\$5,500 00	\$5,500 00

PAID FOR STATE AID.

Ballard, Celestia,	\$48 00
Bennett, Benjamin K.,	48 00
Brock, Mary A.,	48 00

Burr, John M.,	16 00
Burr, Mary,	48 00
Carr, Margaret,	48 00
Curran, Cornelius,	48 00
Dugan, Cornelius,	32 00
Day, Elsie C.,	48 00
Ford, Mary A.,	24 00
Jordan, Eliza A.,	48 00
Jordan, Clara D.,	36 00
Kingsbury, Geo. A.,	24 00
Kane, Catherine,	48 00
Lowell, Wm.,	48 00
McNulty, James,	5 00
Minot, Ida E.,	4 00
Newcomb, Rosilla,	48 00
O'Sullivan, Michael,	48 00
Parren, Emeline,	48 00
Peck, Henry C.,	48 00
Scott, Geo. H.,	48 00
Taft, Annie E.,	48 00
Toothacher, James S.,	72 00
Thompson, Chas.,	48 00
Thompson, Geo. W.,	48 00
Tingley, Francis E.,	48 00
White, Mary,	52 00
Wilkinson, Francis A.,	48 00
Total,	<hr/> \$1,225 00

PAID FOR BURIAL OF SOLDIERS.

Alfred Farrington, burial of John M. Burr, \$35 00

SUMMARY OF STATE AID AND BURIAL OF SOLDIERS.

Received from Appropriation, \$500 00

Received, State return of Military Aid,	148 00	
State return of State Aid,	1,204 00	
State return of Burial of Soldiers,	70 00	
	<u> </u>	\$1,922 00

Paid for State Aid,	\$1,225 00	
for Burial of Soldiers,	35 00	
	<u> </u>	1,260 00
		<u> </u>
Unexpended balance,		\$662 00

FOR SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

BENJAMIN BENNETT.

Paid F. E. Osborne, groceries,	\$66 75	
Jas. F. Ray, house rent,	36 00	
E. K. Ray, wood,	3 25	
	<u> </u>	\$106 00

CELESTIA BALLARD.

Paid Dr. G. A. Martin, medical att'd,	\$8 50	
For aid,	24 00	
	<u> </u>	32 50

JOHN M. BURR.

Paid for aid,		33 00
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MARY BURR.

Paid for aid,		24 00
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SETH BLAKE.

Paid C. H. Randall, medical attendance,		88 35
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MRS. JOHN CARR.

Paid W. L. Palmer, wood,	\$14 00	
Hart & O'Donnell, groceries,	70 00	
Thomas O'Reilly, rent,	48 00	
T. J. Daniels, wood,	30 50	
	<u> </u>	162 50

ELDOLPH LABARDIE.

Paid for aid,	\$48 00
Total,	<u>\$494 35</u>

SUMMARY OF SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation,	\$550 00	
Margaret Carr, Aid,	48 00	
	<u> </u>	\$598 00
Amount expended,		494 35
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Balance unexpended,		\$103 65

PAID FOR STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriated, \$3,890.	Expended, \$3,890.
Woon. E. M. & Power Co.,	\$3,890 00

PAID FOR MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriated, \$100.	Expended, \$100.
E. A. Mason, acc't G. A. R.,	\$100 00

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Appropriated, \$800.	Expended, \$800.
G. W. Wiggin, Treas.,	\$800 00

PAID FOR PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Appropriated, \$600. Expended, \$466 15.

C. B. Johnson, 1100 Town Reports,	\$252 30	
C. B. Johnson, printing warrants, by-laws, receipts, etc.,	162 75	
C. B. Johnson, envelopes,	1 00	
Chas. E. Cook, printing jury lists,	1 75	
“ “ bill heads,	3 50	
Hobbs & Warren Co., blanks,	4 77	
A. H. Bartlett, envelopes,	13 60	
Barry Printing Co., notices,	61 50	
P. B. Murphy, blanks,	2 75	
W. S. Johnson, stationery,	1 15	
Woonsocket Reporter Co., advertising,	2 20	
E. L. Burdakin, recording deeds,	15 00	
Franklin Nat. Bank, check book,	3 00	
H. C. Dimond & Co., stamp,	88	
Total,		\$466 15

FOR ABATEMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Appropriation,

From Dean Academy Sewer acc't,	\$500 00
“ Assessment of abutters, Em- mons St. sewer,	387 58
	<u>\$887 58</u>

Expended,

E. H. Sherman, collecting 1902 taxes,	\$585 88
Abated taxes per list, (see Assessors' report),	301 70
Total,	<u>887 58</u>

FOR CEMETERY REPAIRS.

Appropriation, \$35.30. Expended, \$35.30.
 Received from Lucretia Pond Fund, \$35 30

Paid Jas. F. Ray, cement,	\$5 25	
The Franklin Cemetery Asso., care		
town cemetery,	20 05	
The Franklin Cemetery Asso., care		
Pond lot,	10 00	
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Total,		\$35 30

PAID FOR IMPROVEMENT OF COMMON.

John J. Stewart, labor on grass,	\$9 35	
Kerwin R. Jewett, mowing common,	6 00	
Hosie Bros., seed,	1 91	
O. F. Metcalf & Sons, lumber for signs,	1 60	
W. Dinsmore, painting signs,	3 90	
J. J. McCarthy, removing posts,	10 00	
A. J. Newell, flagpole and top mast,	7 00	
M. L. Pendleton, labor on flagpole,	21 00	
D. H. Rounds, labor on flagpole,	10 00	
Transferred from road acc't for labor,	29 24	
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Total,		\$100 00

PAID FOR CONCRETE WALKS.

Appropriated, \$400. Expended, \$199 47.

John A. Moore,	\$194 37	
E. F. Ware,	5 10	
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Total,		\$199 47

PAID FOR WATER SERVICE.

Appropriated, \$4040. Expended, \$4040.

Franklin Water Co., \$4040 00

PAID FOR DEDICATION OF SOLDIERS'
MONUMENT.

Appropriated \$50. Expended \$50.

W. M. Fisher, for G. A. R., \$50 00

PAID FOR TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriated, \$1700. Expended, \$1683.44.

Selectman, Altred Clark, Jr., year 1902, \$100 00

" J. J. McCarthy, chairman,
year 1902, 125 00

" Henry E. Ruggles, year 1902, 100 00

Overseers, F. M. Richardson, chairman,
year 1902, 150 00

" Geo. N. Gaskill, year 1902, 75 00

" W. A. Pond, " 75 00

Assessors, J. O. Chilson, bal. " 54 00

" H. R. Jenks, " 20 25

" L. J. Kelly, " 21 10

" " year 1903, 194 09

" H. R. Jenks, " 65 00

Board of Health, Marston Sanborn, years
1899, 1900, '01, '02, 204 00

" D. M. Hodge, year 1902, 25 00

Treasurer, Nelson E. Newell, bal. " 75 00

" " year 1903, 250 00

Town Clerk, O. T. Doe, year 1902, 100 00

Auditor, P. A. Woodward, " 50 00

Total, \$1,683 44

PAID FOR POLICE, LIQUOR OFFICERS AND SUPPRESSING ILLEGAL LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Appropriation, \$1500. Expended, \$1414.65.

Wm. Redpath,	patrol duty,	\$300 00	
Kerwin R. Jewett,	"	2 50	
D. W. Fisher,	"	10 00	
Harry Norris,	"	283 33	
D. W. Fisher,	police duty,	75	
John Bassett,	"	15 75	
Chas. W. Shattuck,	"	1 25	
Elmer Thayer,	"	5 00	
Anthony Connor,	"	5 00	
Wm. Cody,	"	5 00	
Kerwin R. Jewett,	"	5 00	
Chas. R. Gowen,	"	5 00	
Chas. Badger,	"	4 50	
Jas. T. Dauphinee,	"	15 75	
John H. Tyler,	"	150 00	
John H. Tyler,	keeper of lockup,	12 92	
Wm. Redpath,	"	12 00	
Est. A. H. Morse,	rent "	75 00	
Alfred Farrington,	bed sup. for lockup,	6 70	
Anthony Connor,	police duty, supplies,	3 10	
			<hr/> \$918 55
J. B. Fitzpatrick,	liquor officer to		
March 1, 1903,		\$50 00	
John Tyler,	liquor officer,	350 00	
John Bassett,	officer,	22 75	
D. W. Fisher,	"	11 98	
W. G. Cody,	"	1 25	
Elmer Thayer,	"	75	
Jas. T. Dauphinee,	"	11 50	
Chas. Badger,	"	12 87	
A. H. Martin,	legal services, 4 cases,	35 00	
			<hr/> \$496 10
Total expended,			<hr/> \$1,414 65

STATE, COUNTY AND BANK TAX ACCOUNT.

Paid County tax,	\$2,582 02	
State “	2,850 00	
Bank “	1,596 67	
	<u> </u>	\$7,028 69
Received from State,		
Account of corporation tax,	\$2,166 20	
“ Bank tax,	204 58	
	<u> </u>	2,370 78
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		\$4,657 96

FOR PAYMENT OF INTEREST.

Appropriated, \$900. Expended, \$1,247.38.

Wildey Savings Bank,	interest,	\$297 50	
B. F. “ “	“	566 04	
Franklin National Bank,	“	140 00	
Dean Co-Op. Bank,	“	163 84	
King David Lodge, I. O. O. F.,	“	80 00	
		<u> </u>	\$1,247 38

FOR PAYMENT OF NOTES.

Appropriated, \$4000. Expended, \$4000.

Wildey Sav. Bank, high school		
heating note,	\$1,000 00	
Wildey Sav. Bank, high school		
general fund note,	1,000 00	
B. F. Sav. Bank, sewer note,	1,000 00	
“ almshouse note,	1,000 00	
	<u> </u>	
Total,		\$4,000 00

SUMMARY OF NOTE ACCOUNT DURING YEAR.

Outstanding notes, Feb. 1, 1903,	\$21,500 00
Borrowed temporarily during year,	
Dean Co-Operative Bank,	\$6,500 00
Franklin Nat. Bank,	6,000 00
B. Franklin Savings Bank,	7,500 00
King David Lodge, I. O. O. F.,	2,000 00
	<u>22,000 00</u>
	<u>\$43,500 00</u>

NOTES PAID DURING YEAR.

Willey Sav. Bank, H. school heating loan,	\$1,000 00
Willey Sav. Bank, H. school general loan,	1,000 00
B. F. Savings Bank, sewer loan,	1,000 00
" " almshouse loan,	1,000 00
Temporary notes,	22,000 00
	<u>\$26,000 00</u>
Outstanding notes, Feb. 1, 1904,	<u>\$17,500 00</u>

PAID FOR MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

District Court Fees, Wm. G. Cody,	\$41 02
" Wm. Redpath,	24 06
" Anthony Connor,	18 84
" J. B. Fitzpatrick,	31 72
" K. R. Jewett,	19 01
" John Tyler,	65 90
" T. A. Caldwell,	16 39
" Chas. Badger,	9 18

District Court Fees, F. L. Davis,	1 42	
“ Harry Norris,	5 17	
“ D. W. Fisher,	3 53	
	<hr/>	\$236 24
Registers of Voters, Michael J. Costello,	\$27 75	
“ Chas. A. R. Ray,	9 00	
“ Mathew F. Conroy,	9 00	
“ Orestes T. Doe,	16 50	
“ Bernard F. Callahan,	15 00	
	<hr/>	77 25
Tellers, Ballot Clerks, M. J. Costello,	\$1 00	
“ A. H. Martin,	5 00	
“ B. M. Rockwood,	3 00	
“ B. F. Callahan,	3 00	
“ John E. Keefe,	6 00	
	<hr/>	18 00
Sewer System, L. E. Morrissey, labor		
flushing,	\$25 00	
“ Franklin Water Co.,		
water, flushing,	12 00	
“ J. J. McCarthy, labor,	6 00	
“ Dennis Hagerty, labor,	3 50	
“ J. J. Stewart, team, man,	9 00	
	<hr/>	55 50
Return of 40 deaths, A. Farrington,	\$10 00	
“ 20 J. B. Fitzpatrick,	4 00	
	<hr/>	14 00
Return of 41 births, Dr. G. A. Martin,	\$10 25	
“ 25 Dr. A. J. Gallison,	6 25	
	<hr/>	16 50
Insurance, P. A. Woodward,	\$127 12	
“ H. R. Jenks,	192 10	
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Weights, Measures, F. L. Davis, supplies,		5 00

TOWN HOUSE EXPENSES.

Janitor, A. Sanborn,	\$1 00	
Janitor, L. P. Faxon,	8 00	
Setting glass, Harry Spence,	3 25	
Wood, T. B. Allen,	50	
Coal, A. M. Haggart & Co.,	1 20	
Tables, Alfred Farrington,	5 00	
Painting, Wm. F. Dyke,	37 20	
Repairs, F. E. Dudley,	4 38	
Labor and locks, F. L. Davis,	2 00	
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Clerk of Selectmen, N. E. Newell,		50 00
Recording births, O. T. Doe,		73 90
Inspector of animals, Wm. F. King,		80 00
Special legal services, H. E. Ruggles,		28 00
Legal services, establishing sewer, G. W. Wiggin,		300 00
Dog officer, F. L. Davis,		25 00

LABOR AT FOREST FIRES.

Albert J. Newell,	\$4 25	
Clarence Crooks,	1 00	
John Phaneuf,	2 50	
Frank Snow,	62	
Albert Rhodes,	63	
Levi Pierie,	75	
Bert Smalley,	62	
W. F. King,	9 25	
T. J. Daniels,	1 00	
W. H. Moss,	1 85	
H. R. Jenks,	62	
M. Casavant,	63	
A. J. Newell and others,	3 50	
O. Cook,	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$28 47
B. of Health supplies, G. A. Martin,		3 50
Fumigating house, G. A. Martin,		1 00
B. of Health notices, C. B. Johnson,		15 20

Postage, E. B. Sherman, postmaster,	11 00
Use of Opera House, G. I. Partridge, Man.,	35 00
Advertising, The Evening Call,	1 10
Badges, The Mitchell Mf'g Co.,	3 00
Badges, N. E. Newell,	75
Badges, G. H. Willoby,	3 00
Lunches, A. J. Reilly,	2 10
Dinners—Commissioners, S. T. Capron,	6 50
Carting, Razee's Express,	1 75
Ink, The Carter Ink Co.,	2 20
B. of Health supplies, A. C. Mason,	4 65
Expenses, A. Clark, Jr.,	4 20
Recording deed, H. E. Ruggles,	1 38
Team hire, J. F. Leonard,	3 00
Window screens, F. L. Davis,	2 50
Carpentering, L. J. Kelley,	16 65
Carpentering, John Landry,	16 65
Labor, Pop. School Bldg., Clark & Gaskill,	12 50
Office rent, 1 year, J. G. Ray estate,	115 00
Posting warrants, J. B. Fitzpatrick,	2 00
“ etc., F. L. Davis,	11 00
Repairing voting mch., F. L. Davis,	5 25
Office expenses, N. E. Newell,	6 75
Total,	<hr/> \$1,677 24

SUMMARY OF MISCELLANEOUS TOWN EXPENSES.

Received from appropriation,	\$1,300 00
“ district court account,	231 10
“ jail, fines,	90 00
“ various licenses granted,	60 00
“ Spring Pond Ice Co., for lumber,	5 41
“ sale of badges, etc.,	3 85
	<hr/> \$1,690 36
Total expended,	1,677 24
Unexpended balance,	<hr/> \$13 12

Summary of Appropriations, Outside Receipts and Expenditures during the Financial Year.

	Appropriations, Etc.	Disbursements.	Expended, Excess.	Expended, Less.
Schools.....	\$20,144 74	\$20,154 93	10 19	
Roads, Bridges and Walks.....	6,903 83	6,479 52		424 31
Fire Department.....	3,000 00	2,889 94		110 06
Support of Poor.....	7,629 42	7,507 62		121 80
State Aid and Burial of Soldiers.....	1,922 00	1,260 00		662 00
Soldiers' Relief.....	598 00	494 35		103 65
Street Lights.....	3,890 00	3,890 00		
Memorial Day.....	100 00	100 00		
Public Library.....	800 00	800 00		
Printing and Stationery.....	600 00	466 15		133 85
Abatement and Collection of Taxes.....	887 58	887 58		
Cemetery Repairs.....	35 30	35 30		
Improvement of Common.....	100 00	100 00		
Concrete Sidewalks.....	400 00	199 47		200 53
Water for Hydrants.....	4,040 00	4,040 00		
Dedication of Soldiers' Monument.....	50 00	50 00		
Town Officers.....	1,700 00	1,633 44		16 56
Police and Liquor Officers.....	1,500 00	1,414 65		85 35
State, County and Bank Taxes.....	2,370 73	7,028 69		
Interest.....	900 00	1,247 38	347 38	
Notes including temporary loans.....	22,000 00	26,000 00		
Miscellaneous Town Expenses.....	1,690 36	1,677 24		13 12
Total.....		\$88,406 26		

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

For the fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1904, the total receipts and disbursements of the town, as per your Treasurer's books, are as follows:

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1903,	\$ 1,552 70	
Income from all sources,	89,885 37	
	<hr/>	\$91,438 07
Total expenditures,		88,406 26
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Leaving cash on hand Feb. 1, 1904,		\$3,031 81.

These figures I find to be correct according to the books of your Treasurer and the vouchers on file, and the foregoing detailed statement of each department prepared by me is a true account of the same.

I would recommend that the Town instruct its officials who submit annual reports to incorporate in such reports a *detailed statement* of the outstanding bills of their several departments at the close of the fiscal year. While it would be extremely difficult to make such items *absolutely correct*, the detail which *could* be submitted would be of service to the voters. The estimates (in totals) as now given to the Treasurer do not convey to the voters a real intelligent view of the situation in each department.

It may be noted that one of the Boards has placed in its report a statement of the *exact indebtedness incurred* by it during the year. Other Boards might practically adopt this method with profit to the voters. The general statement of the expenditures, as paid by the Treasurer, does not in itself indicate the actual expenses *incurred* by the different departments during the year.

I desire to acknowledge the courteous treatment of the public officials accorded me in their readiness to assist in promptly preparing this report, and I would mention particularly the kindness of the Treasurer in placing his accounts at my disposal, suiting my time and convenience, even at a sacrifice of his own.

W. S. JOHNSON,
Auditor.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN,

FEBRUARY, 1, 1904.

ASSETS.

Cash in the treasury,	\$ 3,031 81
Due on tax of 1903,	13,381 14
From State Aid,	1,558 00
From State, towns, as reported by overs'r of poor,	597 65
Tuition in schools,	11 25
Emmons street sewer tax,	349 35
Street R'y franchise tax,	264 80
Balance against the town,	3,216 74
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	\$22,410 74

LIABILITIES.

Almshouse loan,	\$5,000 00
High school heating loan,	4,000 00
School loan,	2,500 00
Sewer bed construction loan,	4,000 00
Odd Fellows' note,	2,600 00
Abatement and collection of taxes,	900 00
Estimated outstanding bills of Schools,	
including Jan. teachers' salaries,	2,210 74
Poor account,	1,200 00
Miscellaneous,	600 00
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	\$22,410 74

NELSON E. NEWELL,

Treasurer.

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, MARCH 7, 1904.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of
Franklin,* GREETING.

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the seventh day of March, 1904, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers, viz.: Three Selectmen, a Moderator, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Auditor, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of the Poor, one Collector of Taxes, one Tree Warden, three Constables, all for one year, and one member of the Board of School Committee for three years, one member of the Board of Health for three years, all to be voted for upon one ballot; also upon the same ballot to vote upon the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town."

ARTICLE 2. To choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 3. To hear a report of the town officers and committees, and act thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the Town will take relative to a pound.

ARTICLE 5. To vote a suitable number of names of persons into the jury box for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 6. To see in what way and manner the Town will collect its taxes the current year, and what rate of interest the Town will fix to be charged on taxes after December 1st next.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks, for the support of schools, including the salary of a Superintendent and the transportation of scholars; for repairing school houses, for school books, supplies, and for miscellaneous school expenses. For support of the poor; for support of the Fire Department; for water supply; for street lights; for the payment of the town debt and for interest; for the payment of town officers; for the abatement and collection of taxes; for printing and stationery; for the payment of police and suppression of illegal liquor traffic; for state and military aid; for soldiers' relief; for support of the Franklin Library Association; for the decoration of soldiers' graves; and for miscellaneous town expenses.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums of money in anticipation of taxes for the current year, as may be necessary to meet the current expenses.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the current year.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate money for the construction of concrete sidewalks, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to establish a hydrant for fire service at or near the cor-

ner of Cottage Street Extension and Worsted Street and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to extend the main drain or common sewer on Main street to High street and on Crescent street two hundred and fifty (250) feet from Main street, as laid out by the Selectmen and shown on plan and estimates filed with the Town Clerk Feb. 19, 1904, and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to make needed repairs and otherwise improve the City Mills Cemetery owned by the Town and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to establish and maintain an incandescent or arc electric light at or near the corner of Worsted and Joy streets and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see what action, if any, the Town will take in relation to the printing of records of births, marriages and deaths from 1872 to date.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to increase its School Committee by adding thereto three (3) members, all to be elected at the next annual election, one (1) member for three (3) years, one (1) member for two (2) years, and one (1) member for one (1) year, or take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To hear a report on guide boards from the Selectmen and act thereon.

ARTICLE 18. To hear reports from any committees chosen at former town meetings and act thereon.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any and what sums of money for improvement of the Common, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or do anything relating thereto.

The polls may be opened at 7 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 11 o'clock A. M.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this twentieth day of February, A. D. 1904.

JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY, } Selectmen
EDWIN A. MASON, } of Franklin.





ANNUAL REPORT

.. of the ..

School Committee

of the Town of

Franklin, Mass.,

.. for ..

THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 30,

1904.

FRANKLIN:
SENTINEL PRESS

1904

Committee:

JOSEPH P. BASSETT,	.	.	Term Expires 1904
AMBROSE J. GALLISON, .	.	.	" " 1905
WILLIAM A. WYCKOFF, .	.	.	" " 1906

Organization, 1902-3:

AMBROSE J. GALLISON,	Chairman
WILLIAM A. WYCKOFF,	Secretary

Superintendent:

IRVING H. GAMWELL

A regular meeting of the Committee is held in the Horace Mann building, beginning at 8 p. m., on the first Thursday in each calendar month.

The Superintendent is at his office in the Horace Mann School from 8.30 to 9 a. m. and from 4 to 5 p. m. on each school day.

See also under Information in the Superintendent's report.

Report of Superintendent.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Feb. 1, 1904.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN:

GENTLEMEN:—A full account of the past year's somewhat eventful history in the public schools, including also a detailed statement of their needs and conditions, would, with the comment and other suggested matter, carry this report far beyond the limits of convenience and propriety. It will therefore confine itself to such topics as shall seem essential or timely.

TEACHERS, PUPILS, SUBJECT-MATTER.

Three factors are essential to the existence of any school, (1) the teacher, (2) the pupil, and (3) the subject-matter or working material. These three factors furnish a convenient outline under which to present some of the content of this report.

I. TEACHERS.

Since Feb. 1, 1903, ten teachers have withdrawn, as follows: To accept other positions, 6; to marry,

In 3; owing to discontinued schools, 1. A new
General room on Arlington street required the selection of a new teacher. The general competency of the ten appointees thus made necessary is hardly equal to that of those who went. On the other hand, the work of the teachers who have remained is fully abreast of its former

standard. Average efficiency, therefore, has about held its own.—Sickness has been more prevalent than usual. Occasional absence for this cause has amounted to fifty-eight days, and prolonged absence to eight months.—Substitute teachers have not always been available. For this reason rooms have sometimes had to be closed. The present scarcity of local substitute teachers is a matter of serious inconvenience, if not concern, to the schools of Franklin.—Meetings have been regularly held by the special teachers, and by the superintendent as occasion has required.

The present is an opportune time to take some favorable action regarding the increase of teachers' salaries, **Salaries** opportune, because certain matters of unusual expense have recently been attended to, for examples, the installation of new heating and ventilating systems in the Mann and Thayer schools, the provision of permanent quarters for the surplus scholars of 1902, the additions to the Unionville and Arlington St. schools, and the exchange of the old arithmetics and geographies for new and better books. These transactions were all costly, but others of like magnitude are not immediately in prospect.

Higher salaries are now recommended for a number of reasons:

I. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE TEACHER.

1. *The record of the past demands an increase.*

A glance at the following table will show how stationary has been the average monthly salary paid to the female teachers of Franklin during the past twenty years.

1883-84.....	\$40.79	1890-91.....	\$37.90	1897-98.....	\$43.31
1884-85.....	39.84	1891-92.....	38.57	1898-99.....	44.20
1885-86.....	39.60	1892-93.....	40.00	1899-1900.....	42.20
1886-87.....	40.80	1893-94.....	38.10	1900-01.....	40.91
1887-88.....	40.88	1894-95.....	42.14	1901-02.....	41.34
1888-89.....	37.40	1895-96.....	40.10	1902-03.....	41.80
1889-90.....	37.00	1896-97.....	42.96		

Average for twenty years, \$40.39.

These figures do scant justice to the teacher. During the time covered by this table, in "other fields of professional and technical labor" there has been "a marked increase of salaries," while "mechanics' and artisans' wages have been practically doubled." Will any one deny that the teachers of Franklin, in common with those of many other places, should have also enjoyed commensurate financial recognition?

2. *The present cost of living is high.*

The general standard of living is probably higher today than ever. One who is teaching must be provided with more than the bare necessities of life; he must pay proper attention to matters of dress, to the domestic conditions under which he lives, and to the maintenance of a becoming place in society.

3. *Professional demands have increased.*

To keep abreast of his calling, the teacher of today must subscribe to educational papers, buy needed books, take occasional excursions, patronize lectures, attend summer schools and educational conventions.

4. *The working year is short.*

Let it not be forgotten that the great majority of the teachers of this community draw pay during thirty-eight weeks only of the calendar year. At ten dollars per week—the common local wage—their earnings would not average seven and one-half dollars a week for a full year's employment at the same salary.

II. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF THE SCHOOLS.

Aside from its duty toward the teachers for their own sake the time has come when, as a measure of self-interest, the town should pay them more money. Five principal reasons may be assigned.

1. *Other things permitting, teachers will neither come here nor remain here when they can do financially better elsewhere.*

For the school year 1902-3 the average monthly wage

paid to female teachers thruout the state was \$54.61. Here it was \$40.98. The difference sufficiently suggests the abundance of places where greater compensation is offered. And our low salaries are no secret. The numerous teachers' agencies are aware of them, and when filling positions frequently send their more liberal patrons in this direction. That Franklin still has so many good teachers in its service is due more to force of personal circumstances than to the wages which they receive.

2. *If possible, only persons who have had the normal training, or who have acquired its equivalent in experience, should teach in the first seven grades.*

The following representations, emanating from leading superintendents of Massachusetts, are shortly to be laid before the State Board of Education.

"That in spite of the recent multiplying of normal schools, and the higher standards of admission, it has come to pass that the normal graduates are, neither in their own estimation nor in the estimation of employers, equal to the demands of the higher elementary grades....."

"That these facts indicate, as the next advance in the standards of normal schools, the extension of the ordinary course to three years....."

"That in our judgment the time has come when the diploma of the normal schools of this commonwealth should stand for three full years of training.....including a full half year of actual practice."

From these ideas we may infer that, if Franklin is to keep abreast of the times, she must employ only such teachers as have at least had the ordinary normal course of two years, or its supposed equal in experience. This view also accords with the opinions of local committees expressed from time to time in the past.

During the year a few high school graduates, without normal training, and without much, if any, experience, have been made regular teachers. This course was taken because at the time a better one did not seem open. But as a practice

it is to be discouraged. Persons just out of the high school have become considerably out of touch with the common school branches, and are presumably ignorant of the best methods of teaching them. Normal graduates, on the other hand, are familiar with both. Carried too far, this practice would create the impression that training beyond the high school is unnecessary, while to those who invest their time and money in the normal school, it would seem highly unfair.

3. *Franklin ought to be able to draw on adjacent or adjoining towns for some of its teachers.*

Were salaries large enough, this could be done. It would then be easily possible to know teachers, and to see something of their work, before engaging them. At present the financial increase which this town can hold out, if any at all, is hardly sufficient to induce a change. You are thus deprived of utilizing an opportunity, lying at your very doors, for first hand observation of teachers in the school-room before selecting them.

4. *Opportunity should exist for granting or withholding advance in salary.*

On this point a quotation from the report of two years ago will suffice.

"It is poor policy to begin teachers at maximum pay, but where salaries are so low it is almost impossible to secure them for less. The incentive to teachers if they realize that financial advance is in store for those who merit it, and the advantage to committees if they can grant or withhold increase of salary, must be plain to all. So also must be the depressing influence of a low wage-limit, soon reached and never raised."

5. *More male teachers are needed.*

Our teachers are now almost exclusively women. With all due regard for woman's superior characteristics for the profession—and they are many—its complete feminization is not to be desired. At some time during school-life every boy and every girl ought to come under the influence of the

masculine mind. But salaries are at present too meager to command the services of many good male teachers.

What will be a proper salary schedule? Below the high school, where normal graduates may everywhere be employed, let there be one and the same fixed maximum for all regular positions, whether primary, intermediate or grammar. In the high school, where college graduates are required, let there be another. Farther than this, discrimination among regular positions should not proceed. Likewise, let there be two fixed minimum salaries to correspond with the above maximum salaries, and let the amount and rate of increase be determined by the quality and length of service. Principals of schools should of course receive separate consideration.

One of the greatest detriments to the progress of a school is change of teachers during the year, and a **Contracts** most difficult situation is sometimes occasioned by a resignation of short notice. For numerous reasons, school boards can well afford to deal leniently with teachers in granting requests for release. But there is another side to be considered—the good of the school.

As at present worded, the committee's notice of election to an appointee asks him to accept a given position on two conditions only: (1) the weekly salary stated, and (2) the contingency of transfer. In the light of past experience, it seems only fair as well as wise to add two other conditions: (1) that, during the period for which they are elected, teachers will not seek positions elsewhere, and (2) that, if such positions are offered to them during this period, or if, for other reasons, they wish to be released, they will give at least four weeks' notice to that effect.

The names of the present corps of teachers, with assignments, are here inserted. In case another **List of Teachers** teacher occupied the position during the year, her name is given in parentheses.

• ARLINGTON ST. SCHOOL.

Sullivan, Margaret M., Principal, and Room 1.

^A Means, Harriet E.,	Room 2.
^B (Thompson, Helen E.)	
^A Holmes, Emma J.,	Room 3.
^B (Knowlton, Alma A.)	
^A Guigon, Clementine S.,	Room 4.

BRICK SCHOOL.

Dunning, Rebecca.

FOUR CORNERS SCHOOL.

^A Barrett, Sara C.,
^B (Harding, Ethel M.)

MANN SCHOOL.

^A Gamwell, Irving H.,	Principal.
^C Cutts, Susan R.,	Grade VIII.
^D (Russell, Viola B.)	
^E (Hutchinson, Mrs. Mabel F.)	
^F King, Frances E.,	Grade IX.
^G (Russell, Viola B.)	
Favour, Lillian H.,	Elocution, German, History.
Lawrence, Bertha,	The Sciences.
^H Skillings, Hattie,	Business Branches.
^I (Dunning, Elizabeth M.)	
Wiggin, Alice,	English and French.

NASON ST. SCHOOL.

^A Frazer, Charles F.,	Principal and Room 4.
^B (Guigon, Clementine S.)	
Tower, Lucy E.,	Room 1.
^A Knowlton, Alma A.,	Room 2.
^B (Read, Katharine B.)	
^J Oldham, Catherine H.,	
^K (Butters, Ellen J.)	

THAYER SCHOOL.

Reilly, Isabel M.,	Principal and Room 4.
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Baker, Jennie P.,	Room 1.
J Gould, Belle M.,	Room 2.
K (McClure, Maude E.)	
A Nixon, Clara E.,	Room 3.
B (Mason, Katherine C.)	

TOWN HOUSE SCHOOL.

A Jacobs, Pearl L.,	Room 1.
A Skerry, Ellen M.,	Room 2.

UNIONVILLE SCHOOL.

L Winters, Edna M.,	Room 1.
M (Thompson, Helen E.)	
B (Walcott, Charlotte T.)	
A Woodward, Beulah A.,	Room 2.
B (Nixon, Clara E.)	

SUPERVISOR IN DRAWING.

Mason, Adra R.

SUPERVISOR IN MUSIC.

Hosmer, Mrs. Elizabeth T.

A since Sept. 8. *B* until June 19. *C* since June 3. *D* until April 9. *E* April 9 to June 2. *F* absent April 6 to June 1. *G* April 9 to May 29. *H* since Sept. 9. *I* until June 26. *J* since Jan. 4. *K* until Dec. 18. *L* since Oct. 12. *M* Sept. 8 to Oct. 9.

II. PUPILS.

Of the three essentials already mentioned, the pupil is the one over which, so far as selection is concerned, the school has least to say. For seven years during the life of every Massachusetts resident, the law is absolute; between the ages of 7 and 14 he must be admitted to school, cases of especial physical or mental disability, habitual truants and offenders, and satisfactory private instruction alone being excepted. But outside of these limits

committees have some jurisdiction. The office of the State Board of Education has twice ruled on this point as follows: "There is no statutory provision as to what age children may enter the public schools. That is entirely at the discretion of the school committee, limited, of course, by the provisions of the compulsory law." And again: "As to children under seven years of age, the school committee may, if it sees fit, fix the times when such children may enter."

For the school year 1902-3 the average membership of the schools of Franklin was 896, larger by at least 142 than for any year during the past twenty-five, and probably larger than ever during the history of the town. For full and exact figures, see the table found elsewhere in this report. That the average membership is still increasing is indicated by the fact that for the fall term of the present year it was 930.

Unprecedented Membership In September, 1902, when St. Mary's school was closed, all of its pupils who could not be placed in the old schools were assigned to new rooms in Morse Block, and to an ante-room in the Arlington St. building. But these quarters were temporary. More permanent accommodations were last summer provided by the renovation and remodelling of the town house, the two rooms here located taking the place of the two discontinued at Central Square in June. An addition (measuring inside 15 1-2 ft. by 21 1-2 ft.) was also constructed on the Arlington St. building, providing new ingress, egress and wardrobes, and releasing the space formerly so used for class room purposes. A fourth room was then here opened.

Opening of Town House School. Addition to Arlington Street Building, etc. The Arlington St. school is now one of the largest in town, and in point of size and administration must be ranked with those on Nason and School streets.

During the summer carpenters widened the Unionville ante-room, increasing its size to 20 1-4 ft. by 17 1-2 ft. Light, ventilation and seating capacity have all been greatly improved and are at present ample for the section (the primary) which occupies this room. This was a much needed enlargement, and the necessity for it was long ago felt, for this recommendation is contained in the superintendent's report for the year 1891-2, and is approved by the school committee of that time—"the remodelling of the building in such manner as to provide two independent rooms and the employment of a primary teacher. The expense of remodelling need not exceed one thousand dollars, and possibly could be done for less."

For economy's sake the special room at Central Square was discontinued March 27. It had existed since Dec. 1 of the preceding year for the benefit of "any pupils in the grammar grades, who, under ordinary conditions, would be hopelessly behind their classes and who, therefore, require greater personal attention than the teacher in a regular room can give." Educationally considered, its discontinuance is to be regretted. Pupils of the above class are always with us, and should be duly cared for. There ought to be either a special school to which they may be sent, or a special teacher who will go about from room to room and give them such separate attention as they require.

Late in the summer it was decided not to open the City Mills school in September. Since the year began the pupils of this section have therefore been transported to and from the center schools. So far as known, the plan is meeting with the approval of the parents, and is unquestionably working to the educational advantage of the scholars.

Unionville excepted, each of the so called "outside" schools has now been closed and transportation substituted.

As an example of what might happen under the old plan, note that the average attendance at South Franklin for the winter term of 1887 was only 54 per cent. and at the Populatic school for the spring term of 1888 was 68 per cent. These were doubtless extreme instances, but they are suggestive of the fact that the present policy of conveyance greatly increases regularity of attendance.

Membership by grades was such in September that it was necessary to a considerable extent to re-distribute them. The following is the result:

Regrading of Rooms ARLINGTON STREET SCHOOL:

Etc. Room 4: Now grade V. A new room

BRICK SCHOOL:

Now grades I, II and III. Last year grades I and II.

NASON STREET SCHOOL:

Room 2: Now grade III. Last year grades III and IV.

Room 4: Now grade VI. Last year grades VI and VII.

THAYER SCHOOL:

Room 3: Now grade V and grade VI (entire.) Last year grade V and grade VI (one section.)

Room 4: Now grade VII. Last year grade VI (one section) and grade VII.

TOWN HOUSE SCHOOL.

Room 1: Now grade IV. Last year grades III and IV at Central Square.

Room 2: Now grades VI and VII. Last year grades V and VI at Central Square.

The grading of all other rooms remains the same.

As a result the town has today perhaps a greater number of single-graded rooms than ever before at one time. There are ten. Such rooms are of decided advantage, particularly when schools are so full and scholars, as in some cases, so

backward. That a school of but one grade can achieve better progress, other things being equal, than a school of several grades does not require argument. Indeed, the advantages of one-grade rooms are so many that the policy might well be extended farther, even tho it required some pupils to walk a greater distance to school, or to go to one which is not in their "district."

Pupil for pupil, the graded system is no more expensive than the ungraded. Why should a school, say of forty scholars, all of the same grade, cost more than a mixed school of equal size? A teacher, and as many (if not more) books and supplies are needed in the latter case as in the former. It is when the graded system necessitates a number of separate small schools, which might otherwise be consolidated into a smaller number of separate large schools, that it becomes more expensive than the ungraded. But this is not the case today in Franklin.

By vote of the town last May "all school children who live on the line of a street railway company, and one mile or more from the school which they may attend," are allowed to ride to and from school on the electric cars at the town's expense; and by action of the school committee, in its contracts with the several transporters, all high school pupils who live within the defined districts are now entitled to conveyance by barge. May both of these policies be continued.

The number of pupils belonging to each school on the last day of the fall term—Dec. 18, 1903—
Membership is here given.
by Schools

ARLINGTON STREET SCHOOL:

Room 1	Grade I	47
* Room 2	Grade II	36
Room 3	Grades III and IV	47
* Room 4	Grade V	22

BRICK SCHOOL :

Grades I, II and III	45
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FOUR CORNERS SCHOOL :

Grades I and II	42
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MANN SCHOOL :

Room 1	Grade VIII	43
Room 3	Grade IX	37
High		93

NASON STREET SCHOOL :

Room 1	Grades I and II	46
Room 2	Grade III	50
Room 3	Grade V	43
Room 4	Grade VI	44

THAYER SCHOOL :

Room 1	Grades I and II	54
Room 2	Grades III and IV	52
Room 3	Grades V and VI	51
Room 4	Grade VII	50

TOWN HOUSE SCHOOL :

Room 1	Grade IV	50
Room 2	Grades VI and VII	43

UNIONVILLE SCHOOL :

† Room 1	Grades I, II and III	15
Room 2	Grades IV, V and VII	21
Total		931

* Small room 20 feet by 14 feet. † Small room, 20½ feet by 17½ feet.

From this list one conclusion is inevitable, that *in a number of instances the rooms are too full*. Forty-eight pupils are quite enough for one teacher. Among the ancient Jews the limit was twenty-five. Where the number was greater an assistant was employed, and when it reached forty, there

were two teachers. Our own State Board of Education has advised that not more than forty pupils be assigned to a single teacher, and the public statutes provide that "in every public school having an average of fifty pupils, one or more female assistants shall be employed unless the town votes otherwise."

During the fall the primaries were, taken as a whole, the fullest. Most of them had fifty pupils each. But this was as it should not be. Many of these children are going to school for the first time. They have not learned to study, to recite, to remain seated, to keep silent and to work by themselves. It is for the primary teacher to inculcate these habits, and plainly she can least afford to have a crowded room.

Had it not been for the wise decision that membership in the primaries should not exceed fifty pupils per school, it would have reached sixty and even seventy in some cases. Unless relief is otherwise provided, it would be judicious another year not to admit children under six years of age, or at least to limit the membership of a primary room to forty-five scholars.

Of the cases referred to the truant officers for investigation during the year, six were found to be truant.

Truancy Disappointing as this record is, regret is partially offset by the fact that only two of these scholars appear to be habitual truants. With these two the court will probably have to deal.

Where population is changing it is not always possible to say, with certainty, that all names which belong there are enrolled on the teachers' registers. In some towns it is customary, when persons of school age move from them to another, to inform the proper authorities in the latter place of the probable arrival of new comers. Convenient would it be if this were a more general practice. For the past two years the school registers have been compared with the school census, to see that none were unlawfully staying away, and each time some offenders have

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been brought to light. Information regarding undiscovered cases of truancy or absenteeism will always be gratefully received.

Compared with former years our percentage of attendance is fully holding its own. For the last school year it was 89.7 and for the fall term it was 93.8. But it ought to be even higher. *Absence from school is legal only when occasioned by the physical or mental disability of the pupil.* Either this point of view is not generally understood, or it is not duly respected.

The severe cold and heavy snow-fall of the past month reduced attendance considerably. The reports show a percentage of 83.8. But the schools were kept if temperature permitted, and if pupils were present. This holding of sessions when only a minority or a small majority are on hand is sometimes questioned, on the ground that it disappoints many who are trying for the roll of honor, that it lowers the attendance record of the school, and that it breaks up the work of classes. The first two objections, tho worthy, are hardly conclusive, and as to the third, every teacher ought to be able to work with a few pupils to their great advantage and without detriment to the school. From the business standpoint it would hardly pass as sound policy to spend between 50 and 60 dollars a day, or any part of them, for teachers' services, and to receive nought in return.

Of late years the teachers' judgment has been the sole basis of promotion in the schools of Franklin. Once a single written examination generally settled the matter. Either course is open to objection, but the arguments against the latter largely vanish in the case of a series of written tests, given at regular intervals over an extended period of time. This year the superintendent is giving such a series, and these, in con-

nection with the teachers' estimates, are to constitute the basis for promotions next June.

Three weeks ago all teachers below the Horace Mann were asked to express their opinions on ten **Teachers' Estimates** important questions. Their replies have been filed and are open to the committee's perusal. Seven of the questions pertained directly to pupils and, with a digest of answers, are here given.

1. Q. How do conditions today compare with what they were one year ago?
A. Better—4. Favorably—3. Much the same—1. Several could not answer as they were not teaching here last year.
2. Q. Have your classes accomplished since September all that you could reasonably expect of them?
A. Yes—11. Nearly so—3. In doubt—1. No answer—1.
3. Q. Do the pupils take interest in their work?
A. Yes—9. The majority do—7.
4. Q. Is scholarship in your room low, medium or high?
A. Medium—13. Low—2. High—1.
5. Q. Are your pupils gentlemanly and ladylike in their deportment in school and in their treatment of each other?
A. As a rule—10. Yes—4. Fairly so—1. Have improved—1.
6. Q. Are your pupils responsive to moral instruction?
A. Yes—11. Not to a great degree—3. Seem to be—2.
7. Q. Are absence and tardiness always excusable?
A. Yes—7. No—6. As a rule—2. Absence always, tardiness sometimes—1.

Many give it as their judgment that tardiness is more the fault of parents than of pupils.

The above returns are interesting and encouraging not only because they come from those who are in a daily position to see and know, but because, in every instance but one, the majority answer is on the right side.

III. SUBJECT MATTER.

The subject matter or working material usually, tho by no means always, takes form in text-books.

In arithmetic the three-book Werner series has been adopted in place of the Nichols books. In **Text-Book** bookkeeping Moore and Miners' Accounting **Changes** ing and Business Practice has displaced the Williams and Rogers system. In geography the Tarr and McMurry five-part series has superseded the Natural Elementary set and Frye's Complete Geography.

The new books have now been in use five months, but longer trial will be necessary before final judgment can be passed on their success in the schools of Franklin. Suffice it now to say that, after a careful canvassing of the market, the books adopted seemed unquestionably superior to those discarded.

Several additions have been made as follows: In the high school, Scott's Ivanhoe, and Worcester's **Text-book** New Academic Dictionary. In grade IX, **Additions** Clark's Government. Various desk books for teachers' use in history, number, nature-study and physiology have also been provided.

According to high educational authority the elementary course of study should have for its basis five **Course of** coordinate groups of studies, each one of which **Study** should be represented in the curriculum at all times. These five groups exhaust the entire field and are—

Inorganic nature, Organic nature, and Intellect, Will and Feeling.

In this view the educational world at large concurs. The subjects usually selected to represent the above groups are Arithmetic, Geography, Physiology and Nature Study, Language, Grammar, Reading, Spelling and Writing, History, Literature, Music and Drawing.

Our course of study has lately been made over so as to

include each of these subjects in each grade from the first thru the seventh, always adapting them to the age and capacity of the pupils. So far as possible, also, a proper time allotment has been accorded to each study.

In keeping with the best educational thought of the day, and with the undoubted curriculum of the near future, one further topic was added—manners and morals. One period each week is reserved for definite and direct instruction in this line. But this is in no wise intended to take the place of the incidental lessons which suggest themselves from day to day, and which can best be given at the time they are occasioned.

New Course in Drawing

The Supervisor, Miss Adra R. Mason, has carefully revised and regraded the Course in Drawing. Following is a topical outline :

GRADE	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY-JUNE
I and II	Color (primary secondary)	Autumn Nature	Arrangement Illustration	Representation of Objects	Pictorial Drawing Picture Study	Pictorial Comp. Action Study Tree Study	Geometric Drawing Measurements Ruling	Construction Design Landscape	Spring Nature
III and IV	Color (graded, complementary) Alphabet	Autumn Nature	Decorative Arrangement	Applied Design	Representation of Objects Picture Study	Objects Action Study Tree Study	Geometric Figures Measurements Geometric Design	Landscape Composition Bird Study	Spring Nature
V and VI	Color (spectrum scale) Lettering	Autumn Nature	Decorative Arrangement	Applied Design	Representation of Objects Picture Study	Objects Action Study Tree Study	Geometric Figures Measurements Constructive Design	Landscape Composition Bird Study	Spring Nature Applied Design
VII and VIII	Color (analogous, complementary) Cool—Warm Advancing Receding Lettering	Autumn Nature	Autumn Nature Decorative Arrangement	Perspective Elements Object Drawing Picture Study	Perspective Elements Object Drawing Picture Study	Action Study Pose Drawing Animal " Tree	Measurements Constructive Design Construction Lines Working Views	Landscape Composition Bird Study	Spring Nature Applied Design
IX and High School 1st and 2d years	Color Lettering	Autumn Nature	Decorative Design	Perspective Elements Object Drawing Picture Study	Perspective Elements Object Drawing Picture Study	Action Study Pose Drawing Animal " Tree	Constructive Design	Schools of Ornament Landscape Composition Bird Study	Spring Nature Applied Design
High School 3d and 4th years	Brush Work Black and White Lettering	Brush Work (Color) Flowers Fruit	Decorative Design Initial Book Cover Fan, etc.	Calendar (Mirror Hat Brush Design for carving) Card Case Design for leather	Still-life (charcoal pen and ink) Picture Study Most Noted Pictures Noted American Artists	Pictorial Comp. Draw from Illustrations (pen and ink) Drawing from Life Noted American Illustrators	Sculpture Cast Cast Drawing (charcoal) History of Noted Sculpture Three Noted American Sculptors	Architecture Schools of Ornament Architectural Details	Applied Design Book Plate Stained Glass Iron Work Spring Nature Life

HORACE MANN HIGH SCHOOL.

Officially regarded all the schools in the Horace Mann building belong to the high. But they are more familiarly known as eighth grade, ninth grade and high school, and will be so treated here.

GRADE VIII.

There is only one eighth grade in town, but provision for another is only a question of time. For at least two years past the fall membership has exceeded fifty, and with eighty-six pupils in the various seventh grades on Dec. 18, such provision may be necessary as early as next September. For physiological reasons, too, the pupils of this school are at an age when they are hard to manage, and its size therefore should not become excessive. Within a year no less than three different teachers have held this position, but if there is any one room where stability of service is needed, it is here. Fortunate would it be for this school if it could fare as well as the one just above it and the one just below it where a change of teachers has not occurred in at least eight years. Some day, perhaps, an efficient person will be found who will give to this position, as Miss King and Miss Reilly have done in theirs, a prolonged tenure of continuous service. Under Miss Williams, Miss Wiggin and Miss Russell, a standard of good order and application existed which has not, unfortunately, been since maintained.

GRADE IX.

The membership of this room illustrates what would be the advantage of another eighth grade. Several scholars who failed to pass in June, and who, therefore should now be repeating the past year, were obliged, by force of numbers, to occupy seats in the ninth grade room, and to undertake some of its studies, last September. The result has been rather unfavorable to the regular members of the school, while most, if not all, of the backward section will not be the gainers by the fictitious promotion.

This room has long been in charge of the same person, and the discipline is excellent. It well illustrates, not only the efficiency of a single individual, but the value of permanency of position. In fact, the schools which have longest been without change of teachers are among the best managed in town. The Brick and Thayer school, Room 4, are examples.

The provision of a text book in civil government has made instruction in this branch more convenient and thorough than when it was oral. Scholarship is extremely poor, but in this the class has always been by reputation deficient, and only the most ordinary results can be expected.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The staff remains the same as last year with one exception: Miss Elizabeth M. Dunning withdrew in June to accept a position in the larger high school in Pittsfield. Her successor is Miss Hattie Skillings, a graduate of Bates and of Lewiston Business College. It is believed that she is the first teacher in the commercial department who is at once a college and a business school graduate.

All of the teachers have the complete college education, and seem to have at heart the prosperity of the school and the progress of the pupils. Two of them—Miss Lawrence and Miss Wiggin—took summer courses in 1903, the one at Harvard, the other at Hyannis.

With the exception of Greek A and Greek B, all the electives are being taken by classes varying in size from two to thirty. No changes have been made in the curriculum, but one or two are contemplated. The course in senior arithmetic has proven most successful. Would it not be equally well to introduce a similar review in geography? Tests show that high school graduates, when they receive their diplomas, are almost as ignorant of geography as of arithmetic. Again the crude handwriting of some of the students makes it apparent that a

course in penmanship might well exist for the benefit of such as require it. Taken at large, only twelve per cent. of high school graduates enter college. How important then that the other eighty-eight be kept familiar with the more real branches of knowledge, particularly toward the end of the course!

Two working young men are finding time to take one study each in the school. Why should not more persons, tho engaged in daily toil and adult in years, still avail themselves of the educational opportunities which are here afforded? It is "the people's college" in name—let it be so in fact.

About forty academic dictionaries (enough for nearly one half of the school) have been added for **Equipment** individual use—also twenty-five copies of Scott's *Ivanhoe*. The Williams and Rogers system of Bookkeeping has been exchanged for Accounting and Business Practice by Moore and Miner. With these exceptions the equipment has not materially changed. But this economy cannot long be continued, particularly if the school is to retain the approval of the College Entrance Certificate Board. More editions of the English classics will be required and a simple book for first reading in French prose. The science department especially needs furnishing. Scarcely twelve dollars have been spent since last February in supplies for this department. For the work in chemistry the laboratory is well equipped, but for the parallel course in Physics—introduced two and one-half years ago—much remains to be done.

The present allowance of free transportation—by barge and car—to pupils living at required distances will help to keep some in **Transportation** school who might otherwise drop out, while the equalization of car fares to **Provisions** Bellingham pupils has resulted in a greater out-of town attendance than at any time for the past three years. Both of these policies may well be continued,

For some years it has been the custom of the Junior class to provide an entertainment, on the night before Thanksgiving, in behalf of the worthy poor of the community. The contributions have usually consisted of food and clothing. This year a fixed admission fee was asked instead, and the proceeds were devoted exclusively to the needy children in the public schools. It is a pleasure to report that the last entertainment was a gratifying financial success, and that, aside from impressing the lesson of benevolence, the fund has brought relief and comfort to several destitute children during a winter of unusual severity.

Once each month since the year began a local citizen has spoken to the school. In September, Dr. A. J. Gallison: Remarks appropriate to the first day of the new school year. In October, Judge O. T. Doe: The Duties of a Town Clerk. In November, Mr. H. O. Enwall: Edinboro'. In December, Mr. George W. Wiggin: The Sources of Law.

Beside giving occasional variety to the daily routine, these addresses have been a source of useful information, have stimulated inquiry, and have, perhaps, to some degree, brought the school into closer touch with the public.

Last June thirteen diplomas and one certificate were awarded. The following was the program of graduating exercises:

March—"Priests' March" from Athalia. *Mendelssohn*
NINA ADA SMITH.

Song—"Gypsy Chorus." *Arr. from Balfe by G. A. Veazie*
THE SCHOOL.

Greeting—
ELIZABETH THERESA CONNOR.

Selection—From "Romeo and Juliet."

Act III, Scene 5.

Lady Capulet, CHARLOTTE LOUISE BISHOP
Juliet, EMMA ESTELLA SCOTT

Piano Solo—"Badinage."

Herbert

CLARA GRACE BLY.

Selection—From "As You Like It."

Act II, Scene 3.

Duke Frederick, CHARLES BASSETT HUTCHINSON
Rosalind, EVA ARLEY REED
Celia, ALICE CHRISTINA MACDONALD

Song—"The Bells of Seville." *Arr. from W. H. Jude, by Veazie*
THE SCHOOL.

Essay—Biography of Ralph Waldo Emerson.

GEORGE MARK SNEATH.

Essay—Emerson as a Moral Leader.

AGNES SOPHIA THOMPSON.

Essay—Emerson and Brook Farm.

MILDRED EATON LYON.

Song—"The Humble Bee." *{ Words by Emerson*
{ German air

SELECTED CHORUS.

Essay—Emerson and Carlyle.

RUTH ELIZABETH KING.

Essay—Emerson and Concord.

EDNA MIGNONETTE WINTERS.

Essay—Emerson and Anti-Slavery.

JOHN JOSEPH KENNEY.

Essay—Emerson the Democrat.

HELEN LOUISE FOLLETT.

Song—"The Concord Hymn." *{ Words by Emerson*
{ Music by J. B. Calkin

Class Gift—

Presentation, GEORGE M. SNEATH
Acceptance, SUPT. I. H. GAMWELL

Presentation of Diplomas and Certificates.

DR. A. J. GALLISON, Chairman of the School Committee,

Singing of the Ode—

THE CLASS.

As the year 1903 was the centenary of the birth of Ralph Waldo Emerson, the class made a special study of his life and works, and on the anniversary day—May 25—a portion went to Concord, with teachers, to see places and things of Emersonian interest, and to hear addresses by a few speakers of national distinction. The program at graduation was largely given up to the same theme, and the class presented to the school a life-size bust of the great thinker and essayist—a gift which is highly appreciated and gratefully acknowledged. To have concentrated attention, at such a season and in such a manner, on one of the strongest and purest of American characters will exercise a lasting influence on the lives of the graduates of 1903.

Three of the class entered college in the fall, and four more are continuing their education at other institutions of learning. The others are at work in positions of honorable employment.

Last October the following notice was received from the secretary of the New England College Entrance Certificate Board: "The **Approval by N. E. C. E. C. B.** Horace Mann High school in Franklin, Mass., has been approved by the New England College Entrance Certificate Board for three years commencing January 1, 1904, subject to the following rule:

"The Board shall have the power of withdrawing approval from a school and from such a school certificates shall not afterward be accepted until it shall have again been approved by the Board."

The Board is composed of certain New England colleges which have associated themselves for the purpose of uniting entrance requirements, and of protecting the privilege of certification. They receive certificates from such schools as have been by them approved and from such only. At present the Board consists of the following institutions: Amherst, Boston University, Bowdoin, Brown, Dartmouth, Mount

Holyoke, Smith, Tufts, University of Maine, Wellesley, and Wesleyan.

This school was placed upon the approved list of these colleges after full investigation of its past record and present standing, and the action may well be taken as complimentary to its character.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

The schools are now so numerous that one day a week from each supervisor is hardly sufficient. Two are needed. But in the time that is given the aim has been for all the schools to share alike.

Quotations from the report of Mrs. Elizabeth Treen Hosmer, specialist in music, follow: "For the **Music** past few years we have made a point of musical history as a part of the study, that the pupils may have a knowledge of some of the great composers, singers and players.....It has been interesting to see the different classes find pictures of the different artists, and give evidence on the subject. Last fall I felt it important that the children should know of the different instruments of music.....The pupils wrote the names of whatever instruments he or she found upon the blackboard. The number grew into the hundreds. Then I thought they should know about these instruments—how they were played, either by fingers, pedals, wind or string....."

"The study is uniformly done in all rooms where there is not a change of teachers. The grammar schools have done excellent work, and much pride is felt in some of the classes. The boys' interest is as great as the girls', and many are excellent readers of music."

"I have not been satisfied with the music in the Horace Mann building, the reason for which must be solved in order to do the work with the results of former years. There are some reasons which we cannot prevent, such as the change of teachers of the subject."

"There is much said at present as to music being elective in the high school.....I believe all pupils should sing. There is a very small percentage of pupils who cannot sing a scale (....not more than three or four pupils from the second grade through the high school).....This might be made elective in the high school to all who wish it as a study..... The voices are far better in our high school than in many past years, and we should be having excellent chorus work."

"A test in music has been given to the higher grades and all classes will soon have an examination in music. A class in musical history and theory has been formed, affording opportunity for advanced knowledge of the subject. All teachers have been faithful in music instruction, and the attendance of teachers' meetings. The supervisor certainly has appreciated this."

Miss Adra R. Mason, specialist in drawing, says:

Drawing "The average work in drawing seems to me a distinct improvement, due partly to better provision of material and more definite plans of work. Of course the frequent but unavoidable change of teachers in some rooms has prevented the best results. Some very good work was done from life in the advanced class at the High School last spring. The great question here, as elsewhere, is time.

I wish an occasional exhibit of drawing from all the schools might be arranged, for the interest and incentive it would give, as well as a greater attempt for artistic treatment.

The accompanying Outline of Drawing shows in a general way what we are trying to do. Varying conditions as regards grading, etc., must be considered, and individual ideas or methods of different teachers are welcome also;—the more spirit, variety and individuality in drawing the better.

Drawing practically falls under three heads, each deserving its own share of attention, and usually more or less inseparable from the other two:

Imitation or Copy Drawing,
 Perceptive or Object Drawing,
 Imaginative or Memory Drawing.

The first is really the 'how' of drawing, and, fortunate, is the teacher who can illustrate what she wishes by a few rapid blackboard lines; showing how rounding objects can be represented on a flat surface; how a squirrel holds a nut while eating; how a boy bends forward as he runs; how a bird tucks his head under his wing; or how his wings change position as he flies: all this is not so hard if the teacher only dares, and the result with pupils cannot be compared with the set 'company' pieces put on the board. What a teacher dares, her pupils will also try. These sketches, however, are not usually to be copied. Copies simply show what to look for, how to represent it, and how to use different mediums. Too much copying is to be guarded against.

Object drawing can hardly be overdone. The more the better, but it should be done simply and thoughtfully; omitting all unimportant detail, working from wholes to parts; noting form, color, position, relative size and proportion; and withal employing sketching lines which permit correction without much erasing.

Imaginative and memory drawing are really the test of the other two: to illustrate a story; to design an appropriate shape or decoration. We are never sure of the shape of anything unless we can remember it well enough to represent it.

Drawing is certainly 'line upon line, and precept upon precept,' for only repeated trials can bring success with the many. Yet the saying that any person with one good eye and one good hand can learn to write fairly well holds about as true in drawing, and the lines certainly fall in pleasanter places each year. Drawing certainly grows to be a more delightful subject for the pupil, even if hard for the teacher.

I do appreciate that no subject is harder to teach and that my most sincere thanks are due to all the teachers who so cordially respond to all demands."

PRINCIPALSHIP AND SUPERINTENDENCY

The latest published statistics show fifteen towns in the state in which high school principals serve also as superintendents. Franklin is one. The duties of the position are becoming more and more extended and diversified, but the plan is still capable of combining success with economy, if the work of the incumbent is duly safeguarded. Some of the provisions should be :

1. His teaching in the high school should be limited to not more than three periods daily, and should come, so far as possible, when the other schools are not keeping—11.45 to 1.00.

2. When not teaching, he should be free for visitation.

3. He should be allowed to give extra attention to the weaker schools, and not be expected to divide his time equally among all.

4. As in the larger city systems, it should be possible to expect more of the principals, as executors of the superintendent's plans.

5. Above all, mechanical duties—such as attention to repairs, fuel and clerical work—should not overshadow the strictly supervisional.

CARE OF RECORDS, ETC.

In the possession of the school department are numerous records and volumes for which the safest possible keeping ought to be provided. Among them are a fairly complete series of State Board reports, teachers' returns and school registers for the past thirty years, and records and accounts of various school committees. These are already useful for purposes of reference and will probably increase in value as time elapses. For the protection of these and other school documents against fire and accident a safe or vault is needed and is recommended,

MODERN EDUCATION.

Parents often betray a misconception of the teaching aims and methods of the present—a circumstance hardly to be wondered at, as these are so different from what they were a generation ago. But today *Geography* is more than so many isolated capes, rivers, capitals, boundaries, etc. It is a study of physical causes and their effects on society, and the lines it follows are natural rather than artificial. *History* is more than dates, battles and statistics. It is a study of personalities, of underlying influences and of the salient features of human progress, rather than its unimportant details. *Spelling* is more than the letters of which a word is composed. It is a study of the meaning of the word and its use. *Grammar* is not taught apart from language. In *Reading* the A B C method has given way to the phonetic; in which the pupil first learns the sounds for which letters stand—then the letters themselves. In *Arithmetic* the child perceives a fact or process before he memorizes it. A multiplication table, for example, is not learned until it is understood. The complex and abstract processes of the old books—like cube root and partial payments—are largely or entirely omitted. A single *written examination* is not the sole test of a pupil's fitness.

THE SCHOOLS AND THE PEOPLE.

In these days of centralized schools, elaborate courses of study, professional supervision and advanced educational ideas generally, do the people take the same interest as when each district had its own school, when the three R's were the curriculum, and when the superintending was all performed by persons of the people's own number and choosing? If the passing of the old ways has meant a decline of interest, the result is to be deplored. Whatever the immediate management may be, the people should always realize that the schools are theirs—theirs to use, theirs to inspect, theirs to judge—and that, however well administered from within,

they can never come to their highest attainment, unless favored with zealous interest from without.

We therefore invite the public to visit, not so much on special occasions as on the regular working days, that the schools may enjoy the uplift which always comes from a consciousness of the friendly attention of the people.

INFORMATION.

No child under fourteen years of age may be employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishment.

Every person between fourteen and sixteen years of age must either attend school or have some lawful occupation.

Before a labor certificate can be issued, an employment ticket, duly filled out and signed by the intending employer, must be presented to the superintendent of schools.

It is illegal to sell a cigarette to a person under eighteen years of age, or to sell tobacco in any form to a person under sixteen years of age.

Every pupil must show a physician's certificate, testifying either that he has been successfully vaccinated or that he is a fit subject for exemption.

No person is allowed to attend school from a household where there is small pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever or measles, or from a household exposed to contagion from the same.

A pupil who is not present for at least half a session is marked absent.

In case of a pupil's absence, tardiness or early dismissal from school (emergencies excepted) his parent or guardian is expected to furnish, either in person or in writing, explanation of the same.

For schools below the Horace Mann, if there is to be no *forenoon* session the "no school signal" (two blasts separately sounded three times) will be blown half an hour before the time when schools are appointed to begin. If there is to be no *afternoon* session the same rule applies. That is, schools keep in the afternoon unless the signal sounds half an hour before the time set for beginning.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' STATISTICS.

§ School Year	Population	Valuation	Persons between 5 and 15 years old	Persons between 8 and 14 years old	Different pupils of all ages during school yr	Pupils under 5 years old	Pupils over 15 years old	Pupils between 8 and 14 years old	Average membership	Average attendance	Percentage of attendance	Regular teachers req'd	Pupils in High School	Teachers in High School	† Expenditure for Public Schools	‡ Cost per pupil
1878-79	4,051	\$1,736,870	637	407	655	9	45	393	560	500	89	15	50	1	\$7,015.52	\$12.52
1879-80	4,051	1,809,980	642	381	666	0	34	389	529	477	90	16	41	1	6,998.73	13.23
1880-81	4,051	1,809,980	642	386	684	3	46	376	515	455	88	16	52	1	6,760.57	13.12
1881-82	4,051	1,802,005	673	401	674	7	49	373	507	421	83	16	46	1	7,099.99	14.00
1882-83	4,051	1,873,830	721	421	723	10	46	405	568	512	90	16	45	1	9,170.83	16.14
1883-84	3,983	1,937,503	744	473	784	9	63	425	598	547	91	17	52	1	8,330.48	13.93
1884-85	3,983	1,967,670	796	469	824	9	78	475	648	583	86	17	51	2	8,774.40	13.54
1885-86	3,983	2,007,695	869	532	844	7	61	530	678	583	86	18	69	2	8,292.41	12.23
1886-87	3,983	2,069,555	930	583	922	0	57	590	689	608	88	20	73	2	8,611.90	12.57
1887-88	3,983	2,154,900	924	591	792	11	61	518	695	630	91	21	62	2	10,569.04	15.20
1888-89	4,831	2,246,335	965	597	839	7	71	570	726	654	90	21	74	2	11,205.57	15.43
1889-90	4,831	2,392,425	1012	625	895	4	78	639	754	691	91	22	71	2	11,131.85	14.76
1890-91	4,831	2,551,350	1011	577	895	0	69	545	743	673	90	23	50	2	11,297.76	15.90
1891-92	4,831	2,645,235	1044	645	883	0	78	632	752	682	90	22	57	3	14,402.32	19.15
1892-93	5,136	2,727,925	1021	664	938	0	57	622	641	582	90	19	87	3	14,964.22	23.34
1893-94	5,136	2,760,752	1062	616	736	0	66	434	560	510	91	19	69	3	14,734.70	26.31
1894-95	5,136	2,845,545	917	584	716	1	81	382	558	510	91	21	67	4	13,441.82	24.08
1895-96	5,136	2,928,825	798	446	719	1	89	403	586	533	90	19	109	4	13,174.78	22.48
1896-97	5,136	2,915,440	724	423	714	1	105	355	547	508	93	18	80	4	14,707.45	26.88
1897-98	5,136	2,927,695	744	433	746	0	130	350	585	532	91	12	149	6	13,986.34	23.90
1898-99	5,136	3,223,145	763	453	833	0	147	362	597	550	92	19	201	7	14,897.17	24.34
1899-1900	5,017	3,336,545	817	594	673	6	86	386	598	554	92	23	86	7	14,557.26	24.34
1900-01	5,017	3,450,675	887	616	754	4	102	489	671	625	90	23	93	7	14,897.17	24.79
1901-02	5,017	3,600,270	993	707	764	2	98	525	681	631	92	24	156	7	15,760.76	23.48
1902-03	5,017	3,612,415	998	694	979	7	110	704	896	804	90	25	185	7	16,818.51	24.69
															20,339.24	22.75

* Between 7 and 14 years old. † For the fiscal year ending during the school year. ‡ Based on expenditure and average membership.
 § Actual — not taken from State Report. ¶ Doubtful. Registers show only 926.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' CHRONOLOGY.

1878-79*.

Intermediate school opened in Town House. Central street made dividing line for grammar districts.

Munroe Speller adopted.

1879-80.

East building on Nason street erected.

Town House school closed.

Unionville school burned (October)—another erected.

Theodore P. Farr elected high school principal.

Barnes' U. S. history and Reed and Kellogg's English grammar introduced.

1880-81.

Populatic school house enlarged.

Mrs. Mary A. Wiggin appointed high school principal.

1881-82.

City Mills school closed—pupils transported.

1883-84†.

City Mills school reopened.

King street, Mount and South Franklin schools consolidated into Mount and South Franklin.

Report of School Committee first appears with annual town report.

1884-85.

Free text book law took effect (1884).

A school held in Baptist vestry, winter term.

1886-87.

Arlington St. schoolhouse begun.

West building on Nason St. erected. Cost \$2,234.15.

Steam heat installed in the (now) Thayer school in place of stoves.

* Until 1883-84 the year meant is the spring, fall and winter terms, or about April 1 to March 31.

† From now on the year meant is the fiscal year ending with January.

1887-88.

Arlington St. school house completed. Cost \$2,862.17.
Special teacher in music first employed.

1888-89.

By vote of town, committee increased from three members to six.

Clarence A. Brodeur became High school principal.

A grammar school opened in town house.

1890-91.

In summer, furnaces installed in both Nason street buildings (one of these remained till December, 1903—the other will be removed in February, 1904.)

Truant school established at Walpole.

George B. Chandler became high school principal (September.)

1891-92.

Smeade furnaces placed in the (now) Thayer school.

A school opened in Morse Block.

A superintendent first employed (in conjunction with Walpole) Incumbent, Frank W. Sweet.

Annual report of superintendent first rendered.

Henry W. Walker became high school principal.

March 21 town voted to build a new high school.

1892-93.

Horace Mann school (now) built—Smeade heat installed.

Third teacher added to high school.

Drawing introduced—a drawing teacher first employed.

1893-94.

By vote of town new high school named the "Horace Mann school."

Superintendency combined with principalship—Ernest D. Daniels appointed.

Parochial school opened.

Chapel school closed.

A sub-grammar school closed.

Mount school closed and pupils transported.

1894-95.

In March town votes to reduce committee to three members.

East building on Nason street closed.

South Franklin school closed—pupils transported.

One session adopted in high school.

Nature study introduced.

New course of study, new rules and regulations adopted.

Riverside Literature Series, Merrill's Word and Sentence Book, Prince's Arithmetics and Southworth and Goddard's Language book adopted.

Algebra introduced in Grade IX.

1895-96.

Bellingham pupils begin coming to high school.

Department work inaugurated at Mann and Thayer schools.

Latin offered in Grade IX.

1896-97.

By vote of town, committee is authorized to employ a secretary at salary of not more than \$50.

North West school closed.

Business course introduced in high school (September.)

A fourth teacher added to high school.

Mild epidemic of diphtheria at Four Corners school (March.)

Frye's Geographies, Sheldon's Language books, Ward method in Reading and Vertical writing introduced.

1897-98.

Committee again numbers three members.

Special appropriation made for remedying heating and sanitary defects in Mann school.

1898-99.

Beginning in September school year lengthened to 38 weeks from 36.

School opened on second floor, Nason street, East building.

Populatic school closed.

Physics, foreign language and concrete geometry introduced in Grade VIII—Chemistry in Grade IX.

Primaries reduced from three grades to two.

Compulsory age limit changed from eight to seven years.

1899-1900.

In May town's share in state fund ceased.

In March the William M. Thayer school named.

1900-01.

New school opened at Nason street—West building, ground floor (September.)

Anteroom at Unionville utilized—extra teacher employed.

1901-02.

Irving H. Gamwell became principal and superintendent March 4.

New school opened on Arlington street, second floor (September.)

Magee furnaces installed in Thayer school.

1902-03.

Parochial school closed (September.)

Nos. 608 and 610 Central Square leased for school purposes.

Anteroom at Arlington street utilized for a second grade.

Second floor of Mann school divided.

Latin and German eliminated from Grade VIII.

Quincy Word List adopted.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

In closing this annual report of the Superintendent of Schools, the thirteenth in the series and the third of the undersigned, I gratefully acknowledge the wise counsel, support and direction of the committee, the willing and earnest effort of the teachers, and the courtesy of pupils and parents,

and I express the hope that similar relations may continue to exist so long as I remain in the service of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING H. GAMWELL,
Superintendent.

TRUANT OFFICERS' REPORT.

TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF FRANKLIN
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1904:

We have investigated forty-five cases of alleged truancy for absence from school without excuse; of these, six were truants, others were kept at home by sickness of themselves or sickness in the family, or other legitimate cause.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,
FRED L. DAVIS,
ANTHONY CONNOR.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TO THE CITIZENS OF FRANKLIN, MASS. :

The School Committee very respectfully submit herewith its report for the fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1904, and also our recommendation for the school year of 1904.

The School Board organized as usual after the annual town meeting with Dr. A. J. Gallison, chairman, and William A. Wyckoff, secretary.

Regular monthly meetings have been held the first Thursday-evening of each month. The board have held many special meetings during the year, as there has been much business of importance to transact that could not wait for our regular meetings.

We have endeavored to keep the expenditures within the amount of the appropriation, but owing to having to provide four more school rooms to accommodate the large number of pupils in town we have been obliged to exceed the amount.

We have made two rooms in the Town Hall and added a room for a cloakroom.

At Arlington street we made an addition, thereby giving us two new rooms, making four rooms in all in that building.

At Unionville we added a piazza to the front of the house and enlarged the anteroom so that now there are two very good rooms for school purposes.

Both the furnaces in the Nason street school houses have been in very bad condition for some time, nevertheless we were in hopes they would last this winter, but we were obliged to replace one of them with a new one during the Christmas vacation. During the last month the other furnace has become nearly useless, so that the committee thought best to replace that, too, with a new one.

The school rooms at Arlington street are heated with stoves. Our committee recommend that a heating and

ventilating system be installed to comply with the requirements of State Inspector Moore.

All the school houses in town need painting. Many of the rooms need new floors. The needs of the schools increase each year, and we shall need more money next year for school purposes if we expect to keep the schools up to the present high standard of efficiency.

As the work, equipments and needs of our schools are well set forth in the report of the Superintendent of Schools, we adopt it as a part of this report, and refer you to it for your careful consideration.

The following is a statement of the school expenses and receipts for the fiscal year, together with our recommendations for next year.

School Expenses for Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1904.

Books and supplies,	\$1,516 44	
Miscellaneous,	534 89	
Transportation,	2,279 40	
Fuel,	1,318 00	
Teachers,	11,97 60	
Janitors,	1,407 50	
Repairs,	639 51	
	<hr/>	\$19,672 34
Arlington street school, special repairs,		\$699 76
Town House, special repairs,		796 08
Unionville school, special repairs,		383 50
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		\$21,551 68
Received March appropriation,	\$18,500 00	
“ special appropriation, Trans.,	350 00	
“ tuition, Town of Bellingham,	419 25	
“ “ “ “ Norfolk,	32 25	
“ “ State Wards,	186 50	
“ dog licenses,	656 74	
	<hr/>	\$20,144 74
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Deficit,		\$1,406 94

We recommend the following appropriation for the year :

For schools,	\$20,000 00
“ deficit,	1,406 94
“ heating Town House and Nason street.	
This amount already expended,	1,118 00
“ heating and ventilating Arlington street.	
This as recommended by State Inspector	
Moore,	1,450 00

Respectfully submitted,

AMBROSE J. GALLISON, Chairman,
For the Committee.

FRANKLIN TOWN RECORDS

FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

MARCH 2d, A D. 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,

GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of the Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall, on Monday the 2d day of March, A. D. 1903, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To chose by ballot a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose by ballot the following town officers, viz: Three Selectmen, a Moderator, a Town Treasurer, a Town Clerk, an Auditor, three Assessors of Taxes, three Overseers of Poor, one Collector of Taxes, one Tree Warden, three Constables all for one year, and one member of the Board of School Committee for three years, one member of the Board of School Committee for two years to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Charles Stewart from town, and one member of the Board of Health for three years, all to be voted for upon one ballot; also upon the same ballot to vote upon the question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

ARTICLE 3. To choose all other necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 4. To see in what way and manner the town will collect its taxes the current year.

ARTICLE 5. To hear a report of the town officers and act thereon.

ARTICLE 6. To see what action the town will take in relation to a pound.

ARTICLE 7. To vote a suitable number of names of persons into the jury box for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums of money in anticipation of taxes for the current year as may be necessary to meet the current expenses.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in town for the current year.

ARTICLE 10. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks; for the support of schools, including the salary of a Superintendent and the transportation of scholars; for repairing school houses, for school books, supplies and miscellaneous school expenses; for the support of the poor; for the support of the Fire Department; for water supply; for street lights; for the payment of the town debt and interest; for the payment of town officers; for the abatement and collection of taxes; for printing and stationery; the suppression of illegal liquor traffic; for payment of police; for State and military aid; for support of the library of the Franklin Library Association; for the decoration of the soldiers' graves; for soldiers' aid; and for miscellaneous town expenses.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will appropriate any and what sums of money to construct concrete sidewalks in town or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To hear a report on guide boards from the Selectmen, and act thereon.

ARTICLE 13. To see what rate of interest the town will fix to be charged on taxes after December 1st next.

ARTICLE 14. To hear reports from any committee chosen at former town meetings and act thereon.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will build and maintain a public scales to be used for the weighing of all hay, grain and coal sold in the town of Franklin or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to restrict the number of weighers and measurers to one or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the improvement of the Common or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see what action the town will take relating to using the income of the Lucretia Pond fund for last year.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will take any and what action in relation to lighting Central Street from the residence of Frank Woodward to the Bellingham town line.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of Four hundred and fifty-seven Dollars and fifty cents (\$457.50) for the purpose of refunding to the estate of Joseph G. Ray the assessment made on the Ray Memorial Library Building and Land, for the year 1902, or take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will approve and ratify the the action of the Selectmen in connecting Dean Academy with the Timnah Brook Sewer System of the town, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will appropriate any and what sum of money for the purpose of dedicating the monument in memory of its soldiers who died in the service of the country in the war of the rebellion, which is to be presented to the town by Fred A. Newell.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will instruct the School Committee to employ a secretary at a salary not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will take any and what action to purchase the Electric Light Plant now located in town.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will take any and what action to acquire by purchase or otherwise the property of the Franklin Water Company.

ARTICLE 26. To see what action the town will take if any, in relation to the disposition of the printed records of the births, marriages and deaths.

ARTICLE 27. To see what action, if any, the town will take in relation to the printing of the records of births, marriages and deaths from 1872.

The polls may be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and may be closed at 11 o'clock a. m.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town this twentieth day of February, A. D. 1903.

[TOWN
SEAL]

JEREMIAH J. MCCARTHY,
ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
HENRY E. RUGGLES,
Selectmen of the Town of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz.:

NORFOLK, SS.

FRANKLIN, February 27, A. D. 1903.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the second day of March, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FRED L. DAVIS,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Att. st.

ORESTES T. DOE,

Town Clerk.

Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting.

MARCH 3, 1903.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the aforesaid Town of Franklin, qualified to vote in town affairs, met at the Town Hall, in said town, on the first Monday of March, it being the second day of said month, A. D. 1903.

The meeting was called to order at the time and place named in said warrant by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and return thereon, after which George W. Wiggin, Esq., was chosen Moderator by ballot, in receiving which the check-list was used, and he was sworn by the Town Clerk.

Before the opening of the polls the Selectmen appointed Nathan C. Nye and John E. Keefe Ballot Clerks; Nathan C. Nye was not present when the polls opened and the Moderator appointed Charles A. R. Ray to be a Ballot Clerk and said John E. Keefe and Charles A. R. Ray were sworn as such by the Town Clerk before receiving the ballots, and before the opening of the polls the Town Clerk delivered a bundle packed by him and sealed, as required by law, containing 1,100 official ballots, and 75 special official ballots for women, and the receipt of said Ballot Clerks and the Moderator was taken for said ballots in the following form:

FRANKLIN, MASS., March 2, 1903.

Received of Orestes T. Doe, Town Clerk of Franklin, Massachusetts, a package said to contain eleven hundred (1,100) official ballots for the use of the men voters at the election of town officers to be held to-day in this town, and seventy-five (75) special official ballots for the use of women voters at said election.

CHARLES A. R. RAY, }
JOHN E. KEEFE, } Ballot Clerks.

GEORGE W. WIGGIN, Moderator.

The Town Clerk caused the cards of instruction and specimen ballots to be posted in each of the thirteen (13) marking shelves or compartments provided by the Selectmen, and a guard-rail was set six foot or more from said marking shelves or compartments, as required by law, and the cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted outside of the guard-rail according to law.

Voted, that the polls be kept open until 4 o'clock p. m.

Voted, that when this meeting adjourns it be to Monday, March 16th, current, at 7 o'clock p. m., at Morse's Opera House.

Voted, that the Moderator appoint a committee, consisting of fifteen legal voters, to consider the remaining articles of the warrant not acted upon this day.

Voted, that article two (2) be acted upon next.

The ballot-box, provided by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, used at the election was publicly opened and shown to be empty, and was examined by the Moderator and Town Clerk and found to be empty, and the register thereon was set at 000, and then locked and the key thereof given to Officer Fred L. Davis, and the polls were declared open.

When the ballots were delivered to the voters by the Ballot Clerks the check-list was used, and the name of each voter receiving a ballot was announced and checked thereon by the Ballot Clerks; and the voter so receiving his ballot marked it at the marking shelf or compartment, and then deposited his ballot in the box, as directed by the Moderator. The name of each voter so casting a ballot was announced in a loud and distinct tone of voice, and checked upon the check-list by the election officers in charge at said box and list.

The following persons were appointed Tellers by the Selectmen on the 19th day of February, 1903: Bradley M. Rockwood and Matthew F. Conroy. Matthew F. Conroy de-

clined on the day of the election to act because he was a candidate for the office of school committee, and the Moderator appointed in his place Bernard F. Callahan, and as additional tellers Albert H. Martin and John P. Costello. Said Bradley M. Rockwood, Bernard F. Callahan, Albert H. Martin and John P. Costello were all sworn by the Town Clerk to faithfully perform their duties as tellers.

By unanimous consent of the Moderator and Town Clerk the ballots were taken from the box, which registered 289 at 10.15, and the counting of the ballots then began, and in said ballot-box there were found to be 286.

The polls were closed on motion at 4 o'clock p. m., due notice being then given.

Then the register on the ballot-box showed that six hundred and ninety-nine (699) ballots had been cast therein, and the names checked on each voting list were then counted by the election officers in a distinct and audible voice, and the number checked on each list used for the men voters was 673, which was announced.

And the number of each of the check-lists used for the women voters was counted and found to be three on each, which was announced.

The number of ballots left at the close of the polls, deducted from the whole number receipted for by the Ballot Clerks, showed six hundred and seventy-three (673) ballots delivered to the women voters.

All the ballots cast by the voters as aforesaid were sorted, counted and declaration thereof made by the Moderator in open town meeting, as follows, viz :

FOR MODERATOR.

George W. Wiggin had three hundred seventy-eight—378,
Tripe Cunningham had one—1.

Bradley M. Rockwood had two—2.
Blanks—292.

And said George W. Wiggin was declared elected.

FOR SELECTMEN.

Alfred Clark, Jr., had four hundred thirty-two—432.
Edwin A. Mason had three hundred twenty—320.
Jeremiah J. McCarthy had three hundred fifty-two—352.
Fremont M. Richardson had two hundred ninety-nine—299
Henry E. Ruggles had three hundred eight—308.
A. H. Martin had one—1.
Blanks—306.

And said Alfred Clark, Jr., Jeremiah J. McCarthy and Edwin A. Mason were declared elected and Alfred Clark, Jr., and Jeremiah J. McCarthy were sworn in open town meeting by the Moderator.

FOR TOWN CLERK.

Orestes T. Doe had five hundred fifty-nine—559.
Harry Spence had one—1.
Scab Sullivan had one—1.
Blanks—112.

And said Orestes T. Doe was declared elected and sworn by Nelson E. Newell, Justice of the Peace.

FOR TREASURER.

Nelson E. Newell had five hundred thirty-nine—539.
Chick Brown had one—1.
Blanks—133.

And said Nelson E. Newell was declared elected.

FOR ASSESSORS.

James O. Chilson had four hundred twenty-five—425,

Henry R. Jenks had four hundred eighty-eight—488.
 Lawrence J. Kelley had five hundred twenty-seven—527.
 John F. Lesure had one hundred eighty—180.
 Patrick Reynolds had one—1.
 James Cabbage had one—1.
 H. L. Metcalf had one—1.
 Blanks—396.

And said Lawrence J. Kelley, Henry R. Jenks and James O. Chilson were declared elected.

FOR OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Cyrus M. Allen had two hundred nineteen—219.
 George E. Emerson had two hundred ninety-three—293.
 George N. Gaskill had three hundred twenty-three—323.
 Bernard W. McCabe had two hundred thirty-seven—237.
 Wilton A. Pond had three hundred eight—308.
 Samuel Y. Reed had two hundred seventy—270.
 Thomas Kenny had one—1.
 Warren H. Bright had one—1.
 Blanks—367.

And said George N. Gaskill, Wilton A. Pond and George E. Emerson were declared elected.

FOR AUDITOR.

Will S. Johnson had four hundred sixty-two—462
 Dennis Long had one—1.
 Blanks—210.

And said Will S. Johnson was declared elected and he was sworn in open town meeting by the Moderator.

FOR COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Edward H. Sherman had five hundred fifty-six—556.
 James Mack had one—1.
 Blanks—116.

And said Edward H. Sherman was declared elected,

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

Matthew F. Conroy had two hundred eighty-six—286.

William A. Wyckoff had three hundred thirty—330.

Blanks—60.

And said William A. Wyckoff was declared elected.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR TWO YEARS.

Ambrose J. Gallison had four hundred seventy-nine—479.

M. F. Conroy had one—1.

Hugh Murphy, Jr., had one—1.

Henry E. Ruggles had one—1.

Blanks—194.

And said Ambrose J. Gallison was declared elected.

FOR BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS.

John M. Crowley had two hundred seventy-eight—278.

Marston Sanborn had three hundred seventeen—317.

A. J. Gallison had one—1.

Charles L. Stewart had one—1.

Blanks—76.

And said Marston Sanborn was declared elected.

FOR CONSTABLES.

Fred L. Davis had three hundred eighty-two—382.

Jerome B. Fitzpatrick had three hundred ninety-four—394.

Kervin R. Jewett had three hundred fifty-nine—359.

Lewis R. Whitaker had four hundred five—405.

Philip Foran had one—1.

Thomas Connolly had one—1.

Henry E. Ruggles had one—1.

Blanks—476.

And said Lewis R. Whitaker, Jerome B. Fitzpatrick and Fred L. Davis were declared elected, and Fred L. Davis

and Jerome B. Fitzpatrick were sworn by the Moderator in open town meeting.

FOR TREE WARDEN.

Walter M. Fisher had four hundred ninety-two—492.

Scalp Reilly had one—1.

Everett Messenger had one—1.

Blanks—179.

And said Walter M. Fisher was declared elected.

LICENSE FOR SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR.

In answer to the following question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" the town voted:

Yes—244.

No—341.

Blanks—88.

COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

And the Moderator appointed for the committee to consider the remaining articles of the warrant, and to report thereon at the time and place to which this meeting shall adjourn, the following named persons, viz:

Lawrence J. Kelley, Bradley M. Rockwood, Dr. Dwight M. Hodge, Jeremiah J. McCarthy, Leroy W. Stott, Charles E. Woodward, John G. Cunningham, Horace W. Hosie, Joseph P. Bassett, George N. Gaskill, Orestes T. Doe, Henry E. Ruggles, Fred P. Chapman, John P. Costello, Thomas G. Thaine.

After the declaration of the vote, as aforesaid, all the ballots cast at said election were sealed in an envelope, and the voting lists used at said election were inclosed in an envelope and sealed, and each of said envelopes was indorsed by the election officers, according to law.

The Moderator caused all ballots which were not dis-

tributed to voters to be inclosed in an envelope and sealed; and he certified thereon that said envelope contained such undistributed ballots; and all said envelopes containing said ballots and check-lists were placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

And on motion, at 5.45 p. m., the meeting was adjourned to March 16th current, at 7 o'clock p. m., at Morse's Opera House, as aforesaid.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Town Officers Sworn.

I administered the oath of office, according to law, to the following-named persons, who were elected to office in the Town of Franklin at the annual March election A. D. 1903, on the dates set against their respective names, all in said year:

MODERATOR—George W. Wiggin, March 2.

SELECTMEN—Edwin A. Mason, March 2.

TREASURER—Nelson E. Newell, March 3.

ASSESSORS—The oath prescribed by law, Lawrence J. Kelley, March 2; James O. Chilson, March 7; Henry R. Jenks, March 10.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR—Geo. E. Emerson, March 2; George N. Gaskill, March 3; Wilton A. Pond, March 14.

AUDITOR—Will S. Johnson, March 2.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Edward H. Sherman, March 5.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS—William A. Wyckoff, March 2.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR TWO YEARS—Ambrose J. Gallison, March 4.

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS—Marston Sanborn, March 4.

CONSTABLE—Lewis R. Whitaker, March 2.

TREE WARDEN—Walter M. Fisher, March 4.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Keeper of Lock-Up.

FRANKLIN, MASS., March 14, 1903.

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, County of Norfolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereby appoint William Redpath of said Franklin to be keeper of the lock-up for the current year unless sooner removed.

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
EDWIN A. MASON,
Selectmen of Franklin.

I hereby accept the above appointment.

WILLIAM REDPATH.

I, this fourteenth day of March, 1903, administered the oath of office to the same William Redpath.

NELSON E. NEWELL,
Assistant Town Clerk.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

MARCH 16, 1903.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin qualified to vote in town affairs, held in Morse's Opera House, in said town, on Monday, the sixteenth day of March, 1903, pursuant to the adjournment from the second day of March current, George W. Wiggin, Esq., the Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7 o'clock in the evening, and the business proceeded as follows, to wit:

ARTICLE 3. The town meeting made choice of the following town officers:

FENCE VIEWERS.

Horace W. Hosie, Amos P. Woodward, Wilton A. Pond.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Bernard F. Callahan, Leroy W. Stott, Henry E. Poor.

POUND KEEPER.

Charles F. Atkinson.

Voted, that all other necessary town officers be appointed by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4. Voted, that the compensation of the Collector of Taxes be one (1) per cent. on the amount collected; and that the Collector have the same power and authority that the Treasurer has when appointed Collector.

ARTICLE 5. Voted, that the report of the several town officers as printed in the Annual Town Report be accepted.

ARTICLE 6. Voted that the yard at the Almshouse be the pound for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 7. Voted, that the list of jurors as printed by the Selectmen and posted according to law be placed in the

jury box for the current year, excepting the name of Albert O. Bacon, who was excused by vote of the town, and the list is as follows, viz :

Adams, Harry D., painter,	Winter street
Allen, George A., farmer,	Summer street
Bourassa, Louis, loomfixer,	Washington street
Bartlett, Herbert E., farmer,	Partridge street
Bly, Charles F., hatter,	School street
Brock, Albert L., carder,	School street
Buckley, Daniel, Jr., farmer,	Pond street
Baker, J. Herbert, farmer,	Lincoln street
Campbell, Charles E., engineer,	off Cottage street
Cleveland, Wm. M., hatter,	Alpine street
Conroy, Matthew F., clerk,	Cottage street
Cook, Edward S., wood dealer,	Central street
Corbett, Walter E., clerk,	Main street
Corson, David W., meat dealer,	Emmons street
Crowninshield, Walter E., merchant,	Queen street
Dana, William G., druggist,	School street
Emerson, Clifton E., clerk,	Main street
Frost, Samuel H., engineer,	Alpine street
Fiorani, Raffaello, contractor,	Cottage street ex
Gunning, George R., clerk,	Moore avenue
Gaskill, George N., ice dealer,	Washington street
Geb, John A., painter,	Central street
Grant, Horace M., expressman,	Dean avenue
Hosford, James R., merchant,	Queen street
Healey, Timothy J., retired,	East street
Johnson, Carl B., editor,	Union street
Johnson, Will S., insurance agt.,	Crescent street
McCabe, Bernard W., grocer,	West street
Mason, Edwin A., clerk,	Cottage street
Messenger, Everett S., clerk,	Emmons street
Milliken, Wallace C., mill supplies,	Cottage street
Milliken, William D., mill supplies,	Cottage street
Murphy, John, Jr., carpenter,	Pleasant street
Neelon, Thomas, farmer,	Brook street

Newell, Albert J., farmer,	Grove street
Newell, Nelson E., clerk,	Alpine street
Osborne, Frederick E., grocer,	Central street
Palmer, Augustus B., superintendent,	Central street
Paine, Edward E., fish dealer,	Summer street
Parker, James M., farmer,	Lincoln street
Prince, Charles H., printer,	Union street
Quilter, Clarence E., janitor,	Fales street
Rockwood, Albert E., teamster,	Central street
Richardson, Edgar S., clerk,	Cross street
Riordan, James H., shoe dealer,	Central street
Reed, Samuel Y., barber,	Queen street
Ray, Charles A. R., clerk,	Central street
Rose, Walter C., farmer,	Washington street
Sherman, Edward H., collector,	High street
Stevens, Roswell K., builder,	Queen street
Searle, Frank D., barber,	Summer street
Thayer, Adelbert D., capitalist,	Central street
Willard, Aaron M., farmer,	Dean avenue
Ware, Eugene F., stable keeper,	Queen street
Wales, William H., carpenter,	Garfield street
Walsh, John P., reporter,	Thayer street
Whipple, George M., boot maker,	Union street
Woodward, Amos P., broker,	Central street
Woodward, Palmer A., insurance agt.,	Main street

ARTICLE 8. Voted, that the treasurer, under the direction and approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow such sums of money in anticipation of taxes for the current year as may be necessary to meet the current expenses, and said money so hired shall be payable from the taxes of the present municipal year.

ARTICLE 9. Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 10. Voted that the town raise and appropriate

for the following named purposes the following sums of money for the current year, viz :

For the repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, and in addition thereto the excise tax of the street railways.	\$6,000 00
Support of Schools, including salary of Superintendent, the transportation of scholars, repairing schoolhouses, school books, supplies and miscellaneous school expenses,	18,500 00
Support of Poor,	5,500 00
Support of Fire Department,	3,000 00
Water Supply,	4,040 00
Payment of Town Officers,	1,700 00
Street Lights,	3,800 00
Payment of Town Debt,	4,000 00
Payment of Interest, (to be paid from un- expended balance,)	900 00
Abatement and Collection of Taxes, same to be paid from amount to be received from Dean Academy, and the assess- ment levied on Emmons street, abut- ters on Sewer,	1,000 00
Printing and Stationery,	600 00
Suppression of Illegal Liquor Traffic, and Payment of Police,	1,500 00
State and Military Aid,	500 00
Support of Library of the Franklin Library Association,	800 00
Decoration of Soldiers' Graves,	100 00
Soldiers' Relief,	550 00
Miscellaneous Town Expenses, (\$50 of the same to be at disposal of Tree Warden, and \$50 to be expended on Sewer and Sewer Beds.)	1,400 00

Voted, that the Assessors publish in the next Town Report a list of all abatements of taxes and the reasons therefor.

ARTICLE 11. Voted, that the town raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) for the construction of concrete sidewalks, and that same be expended for this purpose, in whole or in part, as abutters may contribute a like amount.

ARTICLE 12. Alfred Clark, Jr., then made the report orally that the guide boards have been repaired from the miscellaneous appropriation and are now in good repair and it was voted to accept the report.

ARTICLE 13. Voted, that the town charge six (6) per cent. interest on all taxes unpaid after December 1, next.

ARTICLE 14. Henry F. Ruggles, Esq., chairman of the committee, appointed under Article 26 in the warrant calling the annual town meeting March 3, 1902, made the following report, viz :

To the Voters of the Town of Franklin:

Your committee appointed at the adjourned annual town meeting, under Article 26 of the warrant of 1902, viz : "To see if the town will build and maintain an electric lighting plant for street or commercial purposes and issue bonds or appropriate money therefor, or do anything pertaining thereto" beg leave to submit the following report.

Your committee gave a hearing which was duly advertised, which was attended by a number of representative citizens and also by representative of the Electric Light Company.

While the subject matter of the article under which your committee were appointed was quite definite, yet your committee deemed it advisable to allow at the hearing the discussion to take a very wide scope, in order that it might become possessed of information that might be of value to the town,

By the provisions of Section 10, Chapter 34 of the Revised Laws, it is provided that if a town votes to establish a municipal lighting plant, it must purchase the plant already established and doing business, and provisions are made for the acquirement of said plant and payment of the same. It is therefore evident by the provisions of law, that the town could not build and maintain a plant without first taking the plant already established. This would seem to eliminate any further consideration of the subject matter of this article.

Your committee, however, made some inquiries of the representative of the company as to what, if anything, could be done in the improvement of the present plant tending toward better service and bringing it more in keeping with modern plants. We ascertained that this would necessitate a very large expenditure, approximately \$40,000, that before the company would feel warranted in making such expenditure, that it would desire some assurance of its permanency, that is, it would desire a franchise for such a length of time as would warrant the investment of this amount of money. The franchise desired was that of such a long term of years as to be practically a perpetual franchise.

Your committee have reason to believe that the tendency of legislation is toward a greater liberality in the matter of dealing between towns and quasi public corporations. We believe that before many years that many of the obstacles which now prevent municipalities from engaging in the control of their own public utilities will be removed, and for that reason we do not believe that it is wise at the present time to take any steps toward the acquirement or establishing of a municipal plant, and we are also unanimously of the opinion, in view of the above tendency of legislation, that no franchise should be granted, either to the electric light company or any other corporation seeking similar rights in our town.

As, however, the subject matter of the ownership of the water works is to be brought to your attention, your committee also in view of the fact that perhaps if the town acquired

the water works, the electric light might also be maintained in conjunction with the same, and that the inquiry as to price and conditions of sale might probably be made by a duly authorized committee, we would therefore recommend :

That, provided a committee is appointed to take into consideration the subject matter of purchase of the Franklin Water Co., that the same committee be authorized to take into consideration the subject matter of purchase at private sale of the Union Electric Light Company.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. RUGGLES,	} Committee.
HORACE W. HOSIE,	
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,	

Voted, that the report of the Committee be accepted and the recommendations therein contained adopted.

ARTICLE 15. Voted, that the town raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, (\$300) same to be expended by the Selectmen to erect a set of Public Scales for the weighing of hay, grain and coal sold in the Town of Franklin ; and that the scales at Unionville be used as Public Scales.

ARTICLE 16. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be referred to the Selectmen and that the number of weighers be restricted to nine (9).

ARTICLE 17. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) same to be expended by the Selectmen to remove stone posts and otherwise improve the Common.

ARTICLE 18: Voted, that the balance of the income of the Lucretia Pond Fund be expended by the Selectmen to improve that part of the Cemetery owned by the town.

ARTICLE 19. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of ninety dollars (\$90) to establish six (6) lights on

Central street between the residence of Frank Woodward and Bellingham Four Corners.

ARTICLE 20. The Moderator was asked to rule whether or not money could be legally appropriated under this article, whereupon he ruled the money could not be appropriated for such purpose and there was no further action taken upon this article.

ARTICLE 21. The Selectmen presented their actions in the subject matter of this article by an instrument as follows:

Town of Franklin, in the Board of Selectmen:

Whereas, the Trustees of Dean Academy, a corporation duly established by law and owning land and buildings in said Franklin, said land fronting on Main street, school street, Alpine street and Emmons street, have made application to us, the Selectmen of said Town, for the permanent privilege of connecting its land and buildings with the common sewer, in Dean avenue, in the Timnah Brook district of said Town, and permanently using said sewer for all drainage from said land and buildings, excepting the surface drainage from said land, and also excepting the drainage from the gas manufactory on said premises, and have applied to us to fix a reasonable amount to be paid by said Dean Academy for said connection with, and permanent use of, said common sewer, as aforesaid.

Now, therefore, we the Selectmen as aforesaid, do hereby lay out for said land and buildings of said Academy as aforesaid a particular sewer, extending from said common sewer, on said Dean avenue through Ray street, and a portion of Emmons street extending from Ray street westerly to the street line south of the main building of said Dean Academy, according to a plan thereof to be filed herewith, for the special but not exclusive use of said Dean Academy for such buildings as are now existing upon said land, or which may hereafter be built upon said land, for the use of and in connection with said Academy, excepting as aforesaid. But

nothing herein contained shall be construed as preventing the connecting with and use of said sewer by any other abutters on either said Emmons or Ray streets on such terms and conditions as may hereafter be determined by the Selectmen of said Franklin; and we determine that, for connecting with said main sewer as aforesaid and for the permanent use thereof as aforesaid and for the purposes aforesaid, the said Dean Academy shall pay to the town the sum of five hundred dollars, and also the cost of constructing said connecting sewer from said Main street through Ray street and Emmons street to the street line as aforesaid, said connecting sewer to be the property of said town, and said amounts so paid to be in lieu of all future assessments for the maintenance of said common sewer, or for the construction or the maintenance of sewers, upon or in any of the streets upon which said land of said Academy abuts, so long as said land is owned by said Dean Academy, but no longer.

All erasures and insertions made before signing.

In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands this fifth day of September, A. D. 1902.

JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,	} Selectmen of Franklin.
ALFRED CLARK, JR.,	
HENRY E. RUGGLES,	

Voted to approve and ratify the action of the Selectmen in connecting Dean Academy with the Timnah Brook Sewer System.

ARTICLE 22. Voted that the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) be raised and appropriated to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, for the subject matter of this article.

ARTICLE 23. Voted, that the School Committee be authorized to employ a Secretary at a salary not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.)

ARTICLE 24. No action taken upon the subject matter of this article.

ARTICLE 25. Voted that a committee of three be chosen by the voters at the town meeting to consider this matter ; said committee to report at some future town meeting.

And upon a motion made by H. E. Ruggles, Esq., it was voted that the said committee be appointed by the Moderator, whereupon the Moderator appointed Henry E. Ruggles, Orestes T. Doe and Lawrence J. Kelley to consider the subject matter of this article and also the matter of the purchase of the Electric Light Plant pursuant to the vote taken under Article 14.

ARTICLE 26. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be left to the Selectmen and Town Clerk, with full power to act therein.

ARTICLE 27. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

It was voted at 8.45 o'clock p. m. to adjourn without date.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Assistant Town Clerk.

FRANKLIN, MASS., March 7, 1903.

I, Orestes T. Doe, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., hereby appoint Nelson E. Newell, of said Franklin, to be Assistant Town Clerk of said Franklin, and I hereby authorize him to act as such Town Clerk in my absence, and to do all acts as such Assistant Town Clerk as are authorized by law.

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

March 10, 1903.

Personally appeared the above-named Nelson E. Newell

and made oath that he would faithfully perform and discharge the duties of Assistant Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., to which office he has been appointed, before me.

WILLIAM ROCKWOOD,

Justice of the Peace.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Town Officers Appointed.

At a meeting of the Selectmen, held March 20th, 1903, the following appointments were made for the ensuing year, viz.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS—William F. King.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—Fred L. Davis.

AGENT FOR BURIAL OF SOLDIERS—Edwin A. Mason.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS—Chas. R. Gowen.

INSPECTOR OF KEROSENE OIL—George I. Peck.

CHIEF OF POLICE—Edwin A. Mason (without pay).

POLICE OFFICERS—William Redpath, to be night watchman at a salary of \$50 per month. John H. Tyler, to be day police and liquor officer until April 21, 1903, at a salary of \$50 per month.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER—William Rockwood, Clarence H. Woodward, Elmer M. Wadsworth, E. Lovell Metcalf, Edward S. Cook.

WEIGHERS OF COAL AND HAY—Nathan B. Arnold, Alexander M. Haggart, Elmer M. Wadsworth, Harry Bullakian, Fred E. Osborne, Joseph E. Clark, Edward St. Johns.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK—William Rockwood, T. Jefferson Daniels, Clarence H. Woodward, Elmer M. Wadsworth, Thomas B. Allen, Edward St. Johns, Edward S. Cook.

SPECIAL POLICE WITHOUT PAY—Joseph Belleville, Herbert E. Bartlett, Thaddeus A. Coldwell, John H. Tyler, Charles E. Woodward, Daniel W. Fisher, Charles Badger, Bernard Maguire, Elmer E. Thayer.

AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE GRANTED—To Herbert L. Metcalf.

MEASURERS OF GRAIN—Elmer M. Wadsworth, James F. Ray, Clarence H. Woodward, Nathan B. Arnold, William Rockwood.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Additional Appointments.

The following is a list of appointments made by the Selectmen when duly assembled on the following dates, all in the year 1903:

SPECIAL POLICE WITHOUT PAY—Charles R. Gowen, March 14; Wm. G. Cody, March 14; Anthony Connor, March 14; Kervin R. Jewett, March 14; Charles W. Shattuck, March 27; Raymond F. Morrell, March 27; Ellis Laycock, March 27; John Bassett, March 27; James T. Dauphinee, April 24; Charles F. Atkinson, April 24; Oliver D. Jordan, May 1; William Irving, September 28.

AUCTIONEERS—David W. Corson, March 27; Ulysses L. Burns, January 31.

FIRE ENGINEERS—John G. Cunningham, April 24; Roswell K. Stevens, April 24; William F. Buckley, April 24; Lawrence E. Morrissey, April 24; Jerome B. Fitzpatrick, May 8.

FOREST FIRE WARDS—William F. King, April 24; James M. Parker, April 24; Walter C. Rose, April 24; Hubert H. Gates, April 24; Frank S. Hills, April 24; C. E. Woodward, April 24; T. J. Daniels, April 24; Wilton A. Pond, April 24; A. J. Newell, April 24; Thaddeus A. Coldwell, April 24; Jerome B. Fitzpatrick, June 5.

PUBLIC WEIGHER—William S. Goodwin, Sept. 4.

Town Officers Sworn.

I administered the oath of office to the following-named officers on the dates set against their respective names, all in the year 1903 :

POLICE OFFICERS—William Redpath, March 5; John H. Tyler, March 21; Edwin G. Mason, chief, March 27; William Redpath, March 28.

SPECIAL POLICE—Anthony Connor, March 6; Charles R. Gowen, March 13; William G. Cody, March 21; John H. Tyler, March 21; Charles Badger, March 21; Daniel W. Fisher, March 26; Charles E. Woodward, March 27; John Bassett, March 28; Charles W. Shattuck, March 28; Raymond F. Morrill, March 31; Joseph Belleville, April 2; Herbert E. Bartlett, April 7; Ellis Laycock, June 29.

WEIGHERS OF COAL AND HAY—Alexander M. Haggart, March 21; Nathan B. Arnold, April 6; Elmer M. Wadsworth, June 4; Edward St. John, June 22.

MEASURER OF GRAIN—Elmer M. Wadsworth, June 4; Clarence H. Woodward, June 15.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK—Thomas J. Daniels, Nov. 23; Nathan B. Arnold, April 6; Elmer M. Wadsworth, June 4; Clarence H. Woodward, June 15; Edward St. John, June 22.

SURVEYERS OF LUMBER—Elmer M. Wadsworth, June 4;
Clarence H. Woodward, June 15.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS—Charles R. Gowen, Mar. 21.

FIRE ENGINEERS—William F. Buckley, May 11; Lawrence
E. Morrissey, May 11; John G. Cunningham, May 11;
Jerome B. Fitzpatrick, May 11; Roswell K. Stevens,
May 11.

TRUANT OFFICER—Anthony Connor, Oct. 6.

FOREST FIRE WARDS—Wilton A. Pond, May 16; T. Jefferson
Daniels, May 16.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

I, as assistant Town Clerk, administered the oath of
office to the following-named officers on the dates set against
their respective names, all in the year 1903.

POUND KEEPER—Charles F. Atkinson, March 20.

ANIMAL INSPECTOR—William F. King, March 30.

CHIEF OF POLICE—E. A. Mason, March 20.

WEIGHER OF COAL AND HAY—Harry Bullukian, March 23.

SPECIAL POLICE WITHOUT PAY—Kervin R. Jewett, March
16; T. A. Coldwell, April 3; Elmer E. Thayer, April
4; James T. Dauphinee, April 27; Charles F. Atkinson,
April 27; Bernard Maguire, July 3; William Irving,
September 29.

SURVEYOR OF LUMBER—William Rockwood, April 2.

POLICE OFFICER—Harry Norris, August 12.

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK—William Rockwood,
April 2; Edward S. Cook, May 20.

MEASURER OF GRAIN—William Rockwood, April 2.

FOREST FIRE WARDS—William F. King, May 8; Albert J.
Newell, May 13; Thaddeus A. Coldwell, May 14;
Frank S. Hill, June 24.

Attest: NELSON E. NEWELL,
Assistant Town Clerk.

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

MAY 26, A. D. 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,

GREETING :

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the qualified voters of the Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, May 26th, A. D. 1903, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., then and there to act in the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To hear the report of the committee appointed at the adjourned annual town meeting held March 16th, A. D. 1903, under Article 25 of the warrant calling said meeting and to take any action upon said report or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the town will take, if any, in relation to the acquiring the franchise, corporate property and all rights and privileges of the Franklin Water Company by purchasing or taking the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to build a new school house or new school accommodations, and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to transport school children residing along electric car routes at or beyond a certain distance from the schools which they attend and determine what that distance shall be.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town this fifteenth day of May A. D. 1903.

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,

JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,

EDWIN A. MASON,

Selectmen of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz :
NORFOLK ss,

FRANKLIN, May 18, A. D. 1903.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall on the twenty-sixth day of May, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section two of Article one of By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Special Town Meeting.

HELD MAY 26, A. D. 1903.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, in the County of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, held pursuant to the foregoing warrant at the Town Hall, in said Franklin, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of May, 1903.

The meeting was called to order at the time and place named in said warrant by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and return thereon and then presided until the choice of Moderator, Bradley M. Rockwood being chosen for this meeting by a written ballot in receiving which the check list was used.

ARTICLE 1. The committee appointed to consider the subject matter of the purchase of the Franklin Water Company and Electric Light submitted its report as pertaining to the purchase of the Water Company through its chairman Henry E. Ruggles, Esq., which report was accepted by vote and the following votes were passed while the meeting was acting upon said Article 1.

Voted—First, that the same committee be authorized to negotiate with the Franklin Water Company for the franchise, corporate property and all rights and privileges of said company and to report to the town as soon as may be the result of such negotiations.

Voted—Second, that the same committee be authorized with the Selectmen and are hereby instructed to petition the legislature to amend Section 10 of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1883 authorizing the Town of Franklin, in case of said purchase as provided in Section 10, to issue bonds in such sum as shall be deemed necessary.

ARTICLE 2. Voted to indefinitely postpone the subject matter of this article.

ARTICLE 3. Voted, that a committee of three be chosen by the Moderator at this meeting to take into consideration in conjunction with the School Committee the subject matter of this article and to report at an adjourned town meeting. Whereupon the Moderator appointed as said committee, Horace W. Hosie, Fred P. Chapman, Matthew F. Conroy.

ARTICLE 4. Voted, that the town transport all school children, who live on the line of a street railway company and one mile or more from the school which they may attend and that the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the same and that the Treasurer under direction of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow the same and give notes for this sum payable within one year.

Voted to adjourn until two weeks from tonight at the same hour and place.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Adjourned Special Town Meeting.

JUNE 9, 1903.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin,

in the County of Norfolk, held in the Town Hall of said Franklin, on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, 1903, by adjournment from the 26th day of May last. The meeting was called to order by George W. Wiggin, Esq., the Moderator for the year 1903, at 7.30 p. m., and the business proceeded as follows :

The Moderator called Mr. Bradley M. Rockwood to the chair to preside, and while he was presiding the town voted under Article 3 that the subject matter of this article is referred to the same committee appointed by the meeting held May 26 last to report thereon fully at the next annual town meeting.

Voted to adjourn.

A true Record.

Attest :

ORESTES T. DOE.

Town Clerk.

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

JUNE 9, A D. 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin,

GREETING :

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of the Town of Franklin to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, A. D. 1903, at 7 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To see what action the town will take, if any, in relation to authorizing the Selectmen of this town to act for the town in the matter of entering into a contract for

the construction of a section of State Highway which the Commonwealth proposes to construct in this town this year.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen of this town to waive all rights which the town may have under the provisions of Section 10, Chapter 47, of the Revised Laws, to enter into a contract for the construction of a section of State Highway which the Commonwealth proposes to construct in this town this year, or do anything relating thereto.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town this first day of June A. D. 1903.

[TOWN
SEAL]

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,

Selectmen of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz :

NORFOLK SS.

FRANKLIN, MASS., June 1, A. D. 1903.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, A. D. 1903, for the purposes within mentioned by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FRED L. DAVIS,

Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest :

ORESTES T. DOE,

Town Clerk,

Proceedings of Special Town Meeting.

HELD JUNE 9, A. D. 1903.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin in the County of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, held pursuant to the foregoing warrant at the Town Hall in said Franklin, on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, 1903.

The meeting was called to order at the time and place named in said warrant by the Town Clerk, who read the warrant and return thereon, and George W. Wiggin, the Moderator, presided.

ARTICLES 1 and 2. Voted to act on Articles 1 and 2 at the same time.

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to waive all the rights which the town may have under the provisions of Section 10, Chapter 47 of the Revised Laws, to enter into a contract for the construction of a section of State Highway, which the Commonwealth proposed to construct in this town this year.

Voted to adjourn at 7.25 without date.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

OCTOBER 7, A. D. 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin in said County,

GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Common-

wealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town of Franklin to assemble in Central Square Hall on Wednesday, the seventh day of October, 1903, at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To see if the town will vote to extend the main drain or common sewer on Main street from near Emmons street to High street and appropriate money therefor, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to ratify the agreement between the Selectmen of Bellingham and Franklin relating to the repairs of the highway from Bellingham Four Corners to George A. Crooks'.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the North West School House on Pond street, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain an electric light at the central entrance to the Common on Main street and appropriate money therefor, or do anything relating thereto.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town this 28th day of September, A. D. 1903.

[TOWN
SEAL]

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,

Selectmen of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz :

October 1st, 1903.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described to as-

semble in Central Square Hall on Wednesday, the seventh day of October, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town and in ten other public places, seven days before the day of meeting in compliance with Section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin:

JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,

Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Special Town Meeting.

HELD OCTOBER 7, 1903.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin in the County of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, held pursuant to the foregoing warrant at Central Square Hall in said Franklin on Wednesday, the seventh day of October, 1903.

The meeting was called to order at the time and place mentioned in said warrant by George W. Wiggin, Moderator, and the warrant was read and the business of the meeting proceeded as follows:

ARTICLE 1. This article was dismissed.

Voted to adjourn this meeting until the 22nd day of October current at 7.30 o'clock in the evening at Morse's Opera House, in said Franklin.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Adjourned Special Town Meeting.

HELD OCTOBER 22, 1903.

At an adjourned special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin in the County of Norfolk, held in Morse's Opera House in said town, on Thursday, the 22nd day of October, 1903, by adjournment from the seventh day of said month, the meeting was called to order by George W. Wiggin, Moderator, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., and the business proceeded as follows:

ARTICLE 2. The Moderator, upon the request of H. E. Ruggles, ruled that it was not legal to ratify the agreement mentioned in this article.

ARTICLE 3. Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to sell the Northwest school house on Pond street.

ARTICLE 4. Voted, that this article be dismissed.

Voted to adjourn at 50 minutes past eight.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Warrant for Special Town Meeting.

OCTOBER 22nd, A. D. 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin, in said County,

GREETING:

You are hereby required, in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the qualified voters of said Town of Franklin to assemble in Morse's Opera

House in said Franklin, on Thursday, the twenty-second day of October, 1903, at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To see if the town will vote to extend the main drain or common sewer on Main street to High street as laid out by the Selectmen and shown on plan filed with the Town Clerk October 9, 1903, and appropriate money therefor, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to ratify the agreement between the Selectmen of Bellingham and Franklin relating to the repairs of the highway from Bellingham Four Corners to George A. Crooks'.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Northwest school house on Pond street, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain an electric light at the central entrance to the Common on Main street and appropriate money therefor, or do anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to employ an additional night policeman and appropriate money therefor or do anything relating thereto.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town this ninth day of October, A. D. 1903.

[TOWN
SEAL]

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,

Selectmen of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz :

FRANKLIN, MASS., October 15, A. D. 1903:

NORFOLK, SS.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in the Morse's Opera House in said Franklin, on Thursday the twenty-second day of October, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town and in ten other public places seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

JEROME B. FITZPATRICK,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Proceedings of Special Town Meeting.

HELD OCTOBER 22, A. D. 1903.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, in the County of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, held pursuant to the foregoing warrant at Morse's Opera House in said town, on Thursday the 22nd day of October, 1903, the meeting was called to order by George W. Wiggin, Moderator, at time and place named in said warrant, which was read with the return thereon and the business of the meeting proceeded as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 2. Voted, that the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 3. Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to sell.

ARTICLE 4. Voted, that the town employ a Police Officer for the remainder of the year and the Selectmen be authorized to direct the Liquor Officer to patrol the streets in the vicinity of Nason's Crossing.

Voted to adjourn at 20 minutes past nine o'clock.

A true record.

Attest.

ORESTES T. DOE,

Town Clerk.

Warrant for the General Election.

NOVEMBER 3rd, 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Franklin, in the County of Norfolk,

GREETING:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Franklin qualified to vote for State Officers to assemble in their Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday the third day of November next, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said November, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot for:

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General for the Commonwealth, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the second Norfolk Senatorial District, two Representatives to the General Court for the tenth Norfolk Representative District, a County Commissioner, a Register of Probate and Insol-

vency, a Register of Deeds and a County Treasurer for the County of Nortolk.

And also to give in their votes for or against the acceptance of Chapter 454, Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for joint caucuses or primaries of all political and municipal parties."

Polls may be closed as early as eleven o'clock in the forenoon of said day.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, unto the Selectmen, on or before the said day and hour.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

[TOWN
SEAL]

ALLRED CLARK, JR.,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,
Selectmen of the Town of Franklin.

Upon the foregoing warrant the following return was made, viz:

FRANKLIN, MASS., October 24, A. D. 1903.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday the third day of November, 1903, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the post offices of the town, and in ten other public places seven days before the day of meeting, in compliance with Section two of Article one of the By-Laws of the Town of Franklin.

FRED L. DAVIS,
Constable of Franklin.

A true record of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest:

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk,

Proceedings of the General Election.

NOVEMBER 3, 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, ss.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Franklin, in the County of Norfolk, qualified to vote as required by the Constitution for State Officers, holden at the Town Hall, in said town, in accordance with the foregoing warrant, on Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, being the third day of said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three, for the purpose of giving in their votes on one ballot for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney General for the Commonwealth, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the Second Norfolk Senatorial District, two Representatives to the General Court for the tenth Norfolk Representative District, a County Commissioner, a Register of Probate and Insolvency, a Register of Deeds and a County Treasurer for the County of Norfolk, and also to give in their votes for or against the acceptance of Chapter 454, Acts of 1903, entitled "An act to provide for joint caucuses or primaries of all political and municipal parties,"

The meeting was called to order at 7 o'clock a. m. by a member of the Board of Selectmen and the warrant and return thereon was read by the Town Clerk at the request of the Selectmen.

On Oct. 29, 1903, Nathan C. Nye and John E. Keefe were appointed Ballot Clerks by the Selectmen, and both were duly sworn by the Town Clerk before the opening of the polls, and Albert H. Martin and Michael F. Kearns were appointed by the Selectmen as additional Ballot Clerks, and they were duly sworn and acted in absence of the Ballot Clerks.

Thirteen marking shelves or compartments were pro-

vided by the town, according to law, and a guard-rail was erected six (6) feet or more from said shelves or compartments.

The first set of ballots furnished for said election by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was, before the opening of the polls on said day, delivered by the Town Clerk, sealed, to the Selectmen and their receipt taken therefor, in the following form, viz :

FRANKLIN, MASS., Nov. 3, 1903.

Received of Orestes T. Doe, Town Clerk of Franklin, Mass., a sealed package said to contain eleven hundred (1100) ballots for use at the election in said town on this day.

JEREMIAH J. MCCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON.

Selectmen.

The ballot-box, furnished and certified to by the said Secretary, was before the opening of the polls, opened in public meeting and examined by the Selectmen and Town Clerk and found to be empty, and the register thereon was set at zero (0) and thereupon locked and the key delivered to Police Officer Anthony Connor.

The seals of the package containing the first set of ballots were then broken by J. J. McCarthy one of the Board of Selectmen, who delivered the same to the Ballot Clerks, and the cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted in the marking shelves or compartments and about the room outside the guard rail, as required by law, after which the polls were declared opened, and it was then voted that the polls be kept open until four o'clock and then closed.

The ballots were delivered to each voter by the Ballot Clerks, after the name of such voter had first been publicly announced and checked by said clerk upon the voting list used by them.

The ballot delivered to each voter was by him marked in one of the voting compartments aforesaid and thereafter de-

posited by such voter in said ballot-box or a box provided by the presiding officer, after his name had first been publicly announced at said box and duly checked upon the voting list by the election officers in charge of said box and list.

When the first two ballots cast had been placed in the ballot-box it was found that the machinery in said box would not register and would not allow the ballots to pass through into the box so as to be cancelled thereby, whereupon the presiding officer directed that the voting proceed by the voters depositing their ballots into a box which was used until the ballot-box was repaired.

On the 29th day of October, 1903, the Selectmen appointed Bradley M. Rockwood and Matthew F. Conroy, Tellers to assist them in receiving, sorting and counting said ballots, and before entering upon their duties as such Tellers they were all sworn by the Town Clerk to the faithful discharge of their duties as such Tellers.

The Selectmen and Town Clerk had charge of the election, and the ballot-box and check-list used with the same were under their care.

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon, by the unanimous consent of the election officers, the ballots were removed from said boxes for the purpose of counting, when the register on said ballot-box showed 194 ballots cast, and upon a complete count by the said Tellers of all the ballots removed from both said boxes it was found that there were 257.

The polls were closed at four o'clock in the afternoon, due notice having been made, when the register on the ballot-box showed 541 ballots cast therein, and upon a complete count of all the ballots cast therein it was found that six hundred and thirty-five (635) ballots had been cast into said box and cancelled thereby.

The whole number of ballots delivered to the voters by the Ballot Clerks was 635.

The ballots were divided into blocks, and each block

was canvassed, as required by law, and the total result of said canvass was recorded on the blank forms provided for that purpose.

The names checked upon the voting list used as aforesaid were then counted in a distinct and audible voice in the presence of the election officers and the public; and the two check lists used for the voters each showed 635 names checked thereon.

The check lists used were furnished by the Registrars of Voters for the purpose of said election.

After the completion of the canvass of all the votes cast, and the whole number duly sorted, counted and recorded, declaration thereof was made, according to law, in open town meeting, as follows, viz:

FOR GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston had three hundred ninety-nine—399.

Thomas F. Brennan of Salem had twelve—12.

John C. Chase of Haverhill had thirty-eight—38.

Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton had ten—10.

William A. Gaston of Boston had one hundred sixty-five—165.

Blanks eleven—11.

Whole number of votes, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams of Amesbury had fifty—50.

Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston had three hundred eighty-nine—389.

William F. Merrill of Malden had twelve—12.

Richard Olney, 2d, of Leicester had one hundred fifty-nine—159.

Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke had nine—9.

Blanks sixteen—16.

Total number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR SECRETARY.

Olof Bokelund of Worcester had forty-one—41.

John F. Coyle of Lynn had seventeen—17.

Alfred L. Cutting of Weston had fourteen—14.

Ezekiel M. Ezekiel of Springfield had one hundred thirty-seven—137.

William M. Olin of Boston had three hundred ninety—390.

Blanks thirty-six—36.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

John A. Billings of Rockland had forty-six—46.

Edward S. Bradford of Springfield had three hundred ninety-two—392.

Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford had eleven—11.

Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield had seven—7.

Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth one hundred forty-one—141.

Blanks thirty-eight.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR AUDITOR.

John H. Hagan of Lynn had nineteen—19.

Joseph Orr of Chicopee had thirty-eight—38.

Alfred E. Steele of Northampton had thirteen—13.

Francois X. Tetrault of Southbridge had one hundred forty-two—142.

Henry E. Turner of Malden had three hundred eighty-six—386.

Blanks thirty-seven—37.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

John A. Anderson of Gardner had twenty-one—21.

William J. Carroll of Lowell had thirty-seven—37.

Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park had eleven—11.

John J. Flaherty of Gloucester had one hundred forty-two—142.

Herbert Parker of Lancaster had three hundred ninety-two—392.

Blanks thirty-two—32.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR COUNCILLOR.

Gustave B. Bates of Quincy had fifty-two—52.

Frederick S. Hall of Taunton had three hundred eighty-three—383.

Augustus Hemmenway of Canton had one hundred thirty-nine—139.

Blanks sixty-one—61.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR SENATOR.

Albion F. Bemis of Foxborough had three hundred seventy-nine—379.

Sanford E. Capen of Stoughton had sixteen—16.

John S. Folsom of Millis had one hundred forty-six—146.

Joseph B. Howell of Walpole had forty-seven—47.

Blanks forty-seven—47.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT.

John F. Gurry of Foxborough had one hundred thirty-one—131.

William F. Maintien of Wrentham had two hundred seventy-seven—277.

Perley V. Spofford of Medway had one hundred seventy-six—176.

Herbert W. Thayer of Franklin had three hundred seventy-one—371.

Blanks three hundred fifteen—315.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, twelve hundred seventy—1270.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Daniel H. Coleman of Braintree had eighty-six—86.

James Hewins of Medfield had four hundred forty—440.

Blanks one hundred nine—109.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

John D. Cobb of Dedham had four hundred fifty-eight—458.

Clarence H. Deane of Randolph had seventy-seven—77.

Blanks one hundred—100.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin of Dedham had four hundred fifty—450.

J. Frank Hayward of Hyde Park had eighty-one—81.

Blanks one hundred four—104.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Albert G. Coffin of Quincy had eighty-three—83.

Charles H. Smith of Dedham had four hundred forty-eight—448.

Blanks one hundred four—104.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

In answer to the following question. Shall an act passed by the General Court in 1903, entitled, "An act to provide for joint caucuses or primaries of all political and municipal parties be accepted?"

The town voted

Yes one hundred eighty-three—183.

No one hundred thirty-four—134.

Blanks three hundred eighteen—318.

Whole number of ballots, including blanks, six hundred thirty-five—635.

Certificates of said balloting, signed by the Selectmen and attested by the Town Clerk, were sealed in open town meeting.

The ballots cast into said ballot-box by the voters were duly sealed and certified to thereon by a majority of the election officers for said town and delivered into the custody of the Town Clerk.

The voting lists used at said election were inclosed in an envelope and sealed, and a majority of the election officers certified thereon to the identity of the voting lists so sealed.

The presiding officer caused all ballots which were not distributed to voters to be inclosed in an envelope and sealed, and placed thereon his certificate as to the identity of the same.

The presiding officer delivered to the Town Clerk all said ballots cast, all undistributed ballots and voting lists, sealed as aforesaid, together with the ballot box, in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

On motion, the meeting was dissolved at 5.45 o'clock P. M.

A true record.

Attest:

ORESTES T. DOE,

Town Clerk.

Meeting of the Town Clerks of the Tenth Norfolk Representative District.

The clerks of the Towns of Wrentham, Medway, Franklin, Foxborough, Bellingham and Norfolk, comprising the Norfolk Representative District Number Ten, at their meeting at the Town Hall in said Franklin, on Friday, the thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1903, at twelve o'clock noon on said day, being the tenth day following the day of the election, made out under their hands the following complete returns of all votes cast for Representatives to the General Court in said district, as follows, viz :

Whole number of votes cast, including blanks, four thousand sixty—4060.

John F. Gurry of Foxboro had three hundred eighty-one—381.

William F. Maintien of Wrentham had ten hundred seventy-four—1074.

Perley V. Spofford of Medway had five hundred sixty—560.

Herbert W. Thayer of Franklin had ten hundred seventy-four—1074.

Blanks nine hundred seventy-one—971.

And did ascertain from the foregoing canvass that William F. Maintien of Wrentham and Herbert W. Thayer of Franklin were duly elected, and made certificates of their election, one of which was sent to the Constable of Wrentham, and one was sent to the Constable of Franklin, to be served on the said William F. Maintien and Herbert W. Thayer, as the law requires,

Witness our hands at Franklin, Mass., this thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1903.

DAVID T. STONE,
Town Clerk of Wrentham.

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk of Franklin.

HENRY C. AUSTIN,
Town Clerk of Medway.

LOUIS W. HODGES,
Town Clerk of Foxborough.

HENRY A. WHITNEY,
Town Clerk of Bellingham.

ORLANDO McKENZIE,
Town Clerk of Norfolk.

A true record.

Attest: ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Destruction of Ballots.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Dec. 12, 1903.

I hereby certify that I destroyed the ballots cast and those not cast at the last election for State Officers held in Franklin, Nov. 3, 1903, according to law.

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

FRANKLIN, MASS., April 3, 1903.

I hereby certify that at a meeting of the School Board held Thursday evening, April 2nd, Fred L. Davis, Irving H. Gamwell and Jerome B. Fitzpatrick were appointed truant officers for the coming year.

WILLIAM A. WYCKOFF,
Sec'y School Committee.

FRANKLIN, MASS., June 19th, 1903.

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, in the County of Norfolk, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereby appoint Michael J. Costello of said Franklin, Registrar of Voters in and for said Franklin, until May 1, A. D. 1906 and until another is appointed in his place.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of June, A. D. 1903.

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,	} Selectmen	
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,		of
EDWIN A. MASON,		Franklin.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Sept. 15, 1903.

I, Michael J. Costello, having been chosen a Registrar of Voters, do swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of that office.

MICHAEL J. COSTELLO.

Sept. 15, 1903.

I administered the oath of office to said Michael J. Costello this day.

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

A true record.

Attest:

ORESTES T. DOE,
Town Clerk.

Keeper of Lock-Up.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Franklin,

GENTLEMEN: On account of unforeseen circumstances I am obliged to resign my situation as night officer and lock-up keeper and I hereby tender my resignation to take effect the first day of August, 1903.

WILLIAM REDPATH.

FRANKLIN, MASS., July 31, 1903.

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, hereby appoint John H. Tyler of said town to be Keeper of the Lock-Up for one month and until September 1st, 1903, unless sooner removed.

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
EDWIN A. MASON,

Selectmen of Franklin.

FRANKLIN, MASS., Aug. 1, 1903.

I, John H. Tyler, hereby accept the above appointment.

JOHN H. TYLER.

I administered the oath of office to the above named John H. Tyler Aug. 10, 1903.

NELSON E. NEWELL,

Assistant Town Clerk.

A true record.

Attest: NELSON E. NEWELL,
Assistant Town Clerk

FRANKLIN, MASS., Sept. 4, 1903.

We, the Selectmen of Franklin, hereby appoint Harry Norris Keeper of the Lock-up vice John H. Tyler, term ex-

pired, for the current year and until March 10, A. D. 1904,
unless sooner removed.

ALFRED CLARK, JR.,
JEREMIAH J. McCARTHY,
EDWIN A. MASON,
Selectmen of Franklin.

I, Harry Norris, hereby accept the above appointment.
HARRY NORRIS.

I administered the oath of office to the above named
Harry Norris Sept. 7, 1903.

NELSON E. NEWELL,
Assistant Town Clerk.

A true record.

Attest: NELSON E. NEWELL,
Assistant Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in Franklin in 1903.

DATE.		NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Jan.	10	———Stillborn	
"	14	———Illegitimate	
"	16	Marie Anna Levesque	Arthur and Celestine
"	20	Margaret Zita Kennedy	Michael J. and Katherine A.
"	23	———(Stillborn)	
"	26	Nelson J. Boucher	Onesime and Josephine
"	29	Chester McQueen	Oscar and Mabel
Feb.	2	Edith Morton Newcomb	Albert M. and Lorinda
"	2	Lorinda Webster N'wc'mb	Albert M. and Lorinda
"	4	Ellen Agnes Mahon	John A. and Cora F.
"	4	Archibald Neil McIvor	Neil D. and Eunice S.
"	5	Marion Abbie Sutherland	Alexander J. and Lucy M.
"	5	Jacob Zlockefsky	Barnet and Marcia
"	5	Louis Henry Debaggis	Frank and Mary
"	12	Harold Hutchinson	Wellwood and Mary
"	15	Michel Prouloe	Louis and Leona
"	19	Ernest Elton Sprague	Jason T. and Sadie M.
"	20	Alfred Edmund Coulombe	Alfred and Rosanna
"	23	Raymond Kenneth Pooler	Andrew T. and Bertha E.
"	24	George J. Pleau	Robt. J. and Vina
"	27	John L. Brunelle	Louis and Anetta
"	27	Marguerite Linc'ln Sp'nc'r	Frank J. and Cora B.
"	28	John Cataldo	Matio and Mary
"	28	Ida Lillian Lanigan	Peter and Julia
March	8	William Kilborn	William and Alma
"	10	Josephine Arnold Stott	Leroy W. and Annie J.
"	10	George Frederick Carr	George F. and Ella
"	15	Isabel Margaret McKnight	Thomas J. and Frances A.
"	17	Gladys Patricia Bacon	George E. and Ada D.
"	20	Constance Gamwell	Irving H. and Sarah W.
April	1	Frances Martha Sowdon	George P. and Katherine
"	1	Esther Frances Jordan	William W. and Mary F.
"	5	Marion Ford Reed	Robert J. and Mary L.
"	5	———(Stillborn)	
"	10	Dona Joseph Moreau	Alfred and Delima
"	19	Iva Lillian Brown	Frank W. and Delia
"	23	Chas. Franklin Hutchins'n	Laurie P. and Lizzie
"	25	Harold Frederick Peterson	Paul N. and Jennie C.
May	2	Etta Wigman	Sim and Bessie

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
May 2	Thomas Carey	Harvey and Louisa
" 6	Frederick Samuel Poupart	Frederick and Mary Louise
" 8	Rita Mary Santina Fiorani	Walter and Nellie
" 15	Ada Belle Russell	Harry R. and Ada M.
" 17	Charlotte L. Knowlton	Mark W. and Annie M.
" 18	Amilla Bourbeau	Omar and Agnes
" 19	Marie Orena Lavalley	Napoleon and Marie
" 22	John Gerald Kelley	James E. and Josephine A.
" 23	Mabelle E. Watson Ingles	John W. and Isabella
" 27	Esther Catherine Walsh	William F. and Elizabeth
" 30	Helen Doherty Shea	Daniel F. and Bridget E.
" 30	Thelme C. Johnson	Charles A. and Anna E.
June 1	Eugene Albert Laundry	Napoleon and Julia
" 2	Mary Elizabeth Reese	George W. and Emma M.
" 4	John Pasquale	James and Rose
" 10	Winfield F. Parker	George F. and Mae
" 13	Joseph Leo Tero	Maxiam and Mary
" 14	Helen Turner Slade	John A. and Helen F.
" 17	Lillian Beryl Collins	Alexander E. and Agnes
" 23	Maria Muchiarone	Addolorato and Luzia
" 25	January Todessa	Florinda and Filomena
July 6	Anthony Pisani	Giochino and Libra
" 7	Loretta Labadie	Peter E. and Rosanna
" 8	Clifford G. Lemeir	William J. and Jennie M.
" 8	Helen Rockwell Cook	Cyril G. and Blanche E.
" 11	Edmond Dufrane	Peter and Onesime
" 14	Rose B. I. Morreau	Napoleon and Blanche M.
" 15	Euda Wells Brown	Comfort T. and Nettie E.
" 20	Marjorie E. Hartt	Robert A. and Minnie E.
" 24	Bernale A. Dauphinee	James T. and Nellie M.
" 29	Olive Elizabeth Hosford	James R. and Mary E.
Aug. 4	Howard Banford Rogers	Fred B. and Edna
" 16	George Edwin Andrews	William F. and Fannie G.
" 16	Edith Marion Aldrich	Charles W. and Catherine F.
" 28	Jessie May Briggs	Fred A. and Christine
Sept. 1	— Sabito	Sebastian and Quinchet
" 2	— Smith	Albert F. and Emma
" 2	Robert McCabe	Bernard W. and Cora L.
" 7	Harold Leroy Fenton	James H. and Isabelle
" 10	Grace Marion Young	George F. and Eva L.
" 17	— Carboni	Joseph and Carmelia
" 21	Isabel Adams Scott	Winfield B. and Elmera L.
" 23	Margaret Murphy	Timothy and Hannah
" 24	Florence Elodina Haule	Eugene and Eliza
Oct. 7	Winifred Byron	John J. and Sarah
" 16	Antonietta M. Mucciarone	Ascenzio and Marianna
" 17	Arthur Edward Stewart	William J. and Mary J.
" 19	Harold Charles Bourassa	Levi and Catherine M.
" 23	Hugh W. B. Kiernan	John and Felicite

DATE.		NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
Oct.	27	Mary Gillespie	William and Margaret
"	27	Marion Louise Gates	Hubert H. and Florence A.
"	28	Chianrina Penza	Pamfilo and Reta
"	28	John Lowe	Laurits and Clara E.
Nov.	6	Mary Eleanor Kirby	Owen J. and Alma
"	8	Helen Clara Nichols	William R. and Minnie B.
"	14	William Klosz Simmler	Henry J. and Pauline J.
"	22	Lottie Mildred Bent	John L. and Florence M.
"	23	—— (Stillborn)	
"	24	Francis H. Appleton, 3rd	Francis H. and Carrie H.
"	25	Leo Curley	James A. and Margaret E.
"	29	Philomena Desandis	Thomas and Dominica
Dec.	1	Lucille K. Tufts	Herbert J. and Lucille C.
"	5	Florence Emily Arnold	Everett and Alice
"	11	Josephine DeLanis	Raphael and Ceconda
"	15	Nellie Frances Wilbee	Charles and Laura
"	17	Margaret McDermott	Thomas and Mary
"	19	Leon Joseph Laundre	Leon and Adess
"	25	Flora Palladema	Paul and Rosie
"	30	Lillian Alice Germain	Edward and Eugene

Total, 108.

Marriages Recorded in Franklin during 1903.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	MARRIED BY
Jan. 1	H. Elliott Poor Ethel E. Cleveland	33 28	Franklin "	Rev. R. B. Moody
" 31	Ernest Tavernier Rosanna Denoyelle	27 18	South Franklin " "	Rev. Edward C. Ramette
Feb. 1	Oliver Castonguay Cordelia Coutu	22 19	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 2	John J. Hussey Jennie M. Scott	25 25	Norton "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 9	William Heyn Lillian F. Herman	29 30	Franklin Boston	Rev. Matthew S. McCord
" 20	Fred B. Rogers Edna M. Ham	21 18	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 23	Leon Laundry Adess George	20 22	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 25	Thomas C. Barham Hilma C. Dalghren	19 20	City Mills "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
Mar. 7	Andrew W. Crichton Sarah A. Bodge	25 26	Whitinsville Franklin	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 15	Homer B. Newell Mabel C. Campbell	26 21	Franklin "	Rev. George W. Nead
" 17	Laurie P. Hutchinson Lizzie E. Cody	20 21	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 31	Frank Rosetta Rosealeann Veumn	22 22	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
Apr. 2	Harry F. Kittredge Annie M. Wadsworth	22 18	Franklin Blackstone	Rev. Guy Wilber Miner
" 8	Gilbert A. Greenwood Florence M. Campbell	23 19	Franklin "	Rev. R. B. Moody
" 8	Francis H. Dawley Georgia E. McMaster	40 30	Bellingham "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 20	Joseph Vena Philomeno Cataldo	24 25	Boston Franklin	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
May 6	Edgar M. Temple Martha J. Jones	43 20	Milford Franklin	Rev. F. A. Warfield
" 7	Herbert J. Tufts Lucie C. Roche	21 21	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 17	Wilber P. Clevinger Agnes Donlon	42 21	Franklin Harrisville, N. H.	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 27	Augustus B. Palmer Annie L. Judd	32 25	Franklin Holyoke	Rev. George W. Winch
June 1	Joseph B. Brown Georgianna C. Snow	22 21	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	MARRIED BY
June 3	Charles Wilbee Laura J. McBurnie	33 24	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 3	Ernest F. Dalghren Ella F. Marley	27 26	Norfolk Franklin	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 11	Charles A. Woodward Catherine Morrison	22 21	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 25	Arthur W. Peirce Lydia P. Ray	44 48	Franklin "	Rev. Dwight M. Hodge
" 27	John McCarthy Lena M. Raymond	23 26	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 30	Arthur H. Pendleton Alice E. Ross	22 23	Franklin "	Rev. R. B. Moody
July 1	Michael J. Fitzgerald Ella F. Ganey	24 26	Providence, R. I. Franklin	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 5	Harry Timothy Pond Eva Melissa Arnold	21 23	Millis "	Rev. R. B. Moody
Aug. 3	Washington B. Levinus Harriet P. Stewart [Jr.	26 17	New York Franklin	Rev. R. B. Moody
" 5	Fred L. Tufts Bessie I. Britton	32 23	Norwood Franklin	Rev. Guy Wilber Miner
" 7	William H. Holmes Alice J. Feeley	26 26	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 31	Jeremiah J. Doherty Elizabeth E. Tourtelotte	31 32	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 31	Harold Fenton Isabel Stevenson	23 20	So. Framingham "	Rev. R. B. Moody
" 31	Edson La Burton Rhodes Della Brown	30 32	Franklin "	William M. Douglas
Sept. 6	Philip E. Peters Flora E. MacDonald	38 33	Boston "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 14	Cyrus C. Roberts Martha E. Maguire	28 21	Woonsocket Franklin	Rev. Dwight M. Hodge
" 19	Ferdinando Turco Annatonina Penza	26 24	Franklin "	Rev. Robert Beasotti
" 23	Ernest L. Henderson Jennie F. Chapman	25 26	Norwell "	Rev. Frank A. Everett
" 26	Simon Moreau Anna Coulombe	24 18	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 28	Pasquale Bertone Presina Acille	26 23	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 30	Charles F. Bly Mary L. Mann	26 21	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
Oct. 1	Francis J. McDonogh Margaret Ward	27 25	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	MARRIED BY
Oct. 7	Martin William Smith Grace B. McLaughlin	27 20	North Attleboro Franklin	Rev. A. E. Krom
" 12	Dennis J. Feeley Florence E. Cody	26 25	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 13	Wilfred Alpier Anna Joyal	24 19	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 13	Hudge Bourbeau Mary Narden	20 18	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 14	Charles H. Lawrence Eva Belle Everett	23 16	Franklin Wrentham	Rev. Hendrick Vossema
" 14	Edward J. Slamin Elizabeth J. Pendergast	28 28	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 15	Charles T. McCarthy Catherine M. McMahon	24 18	Franklin Milford	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 21	Joseph Fagan Alicia V. Maher	27 27	Franklin Blackstone	Rev. W. H. Adrian
" 22	Martin J. Feeley Annie R. Callahan	30 28	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 22	Martin W. Smith Grace B. McLaughlin	28 16	Attleboro Franklin	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
Nov. 4	J. William Crowther Elizabeth Willis	23 20	West Medway Franklin	Rev. Robert W. Drawbridge
" 22	Ginnaro Di Gerolamo Carmela Di Pasquale	34 24	Milford Franklin	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 25	Edwin L. Stewart Elizabeth M. Rose	22 19	Franklin Manchester	Rev. Clarence H. Barber
" 25	Patrick Cray Lucy Rabitor	30 23	Franklin "	Rev. Daniel P. Scannell
" 26	Daniel E. Green Isabel Murphy	30 31	Franklin "	Rev. William J. Reardon
Dec. 2	Bertram W. Vickary Annie E. Hill Sherman	38 39	Providence "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 16	G. Harris Cochrane Helen E. Stott	21 20	Franklin Plymouth	Rev. Dwight M. Hodge
" 17	George A. Shattuck Annie L. Hastings	21 24	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 20	Charles R. Whitaker Daisy E. Cooper	20 21	Franklin Medway	Rev. Guy Wilber Miner
" 21	Frank A. Paine Ellen J. Butters	28 22	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 26	Hiram H. Lay Ella May Mathewson	46 33	Baltic, Conn. Natick, R. I.	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath
" 28	Warren N. King Charlotte M. Maker	76 66	Franklin "	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath

Total, 65.

Deaths Reported in Franklin During 1903.

DATE.	NAME OF PERSON.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
January	1 Henry Alden Talbot.....	43	11	23	Lobar Pneu. fol. La Grippe
"	7 Ruth Charlotte Davis.....	3	7	25	Rheu., Endo Carditis.....
"	7 William Doherty.....	61	11	5	Cerebral apoplexy.....
"	10.....	—	—	—	Stillborn.....
"	12 Maria C. Follensbee.....	77	5	18	Pneumonia.....
"	14 Luigi Iocomo.....	23	—	—	Brain disease.....
"	14 Margaret F. Grant.....	48	11	16	Chronic nephritis.....
"	19 Michael Boyle.....	16	1	—	Scarlet fever.....
"	21 Mary Anna Metcalf.....	48	—	—	La Grippe and Heart Dis..
"	31 Melinda S. Cleveland.....	83	—	—	Cancer.....
February	1 Bertrand Earle Willis.....	25	7	11	Bright's Dis. of Kidneys...
"	6 Albert H. Gurney.....	58	6	—	Pneumonitis.....
"	17 Luihorio Pasquantonio.....	—	—	6	Inanition.....
"	18 Mary Jane Brown.....	53	—	—	Pneumonia.....
"	23 Betsey Jane Squire.....	78	11	—	Chron. Rheu., Heart Dis..
"	24 Owen Shields.....	64	—	—	Chronic Bronchitis.....
"	27 Lucilla A. Lyon.....	45	—	10	Pneumonia.....
March	6 Mary Eliza Jackson.....	49	10	—	Tuber. pol. et intestinorum
"	9 Jeule Pepin.....	83	—	—	Old age.....
"	16 William S. Young.....	74	5	8	La Grippe.....
"	21 Jeremiah A. Haselton.....	88	—	4	Cerebral Apoplexy.....
"	28 Mary Helen Onslow.....	69	11	—	La Grippe, heart failure...
"	30 Francis J. Holmes.....	70	—	—	Heart failure.....
"	31 Lewis L. Staples.....	47	3	15	Phthisis Pulmonalis.....
April	4 James Follansbee.....	77	4	—	Old age.....
"	5.....	—	—	—	Stillborn.....
"	6 Lucy Campbell.....	43	—	—	Typhoid pneumonia.....
"	13 Catherine McGloughlin.....	23	—	—	Pul. Phthisis.....
"	14 Marie A. A. Labonte.....	1	6	—	Pneumonia.....
"	24 Mary Dailey.....	3	11	16	Accidental burning.....
May	1 William Carl Bent.....	6	4	20	Acute nephritis.....
"	4 Abner Cook.....	75	10	27	Phthisis pulmonalis.....
"	5 Agnes Fisher.....	75	5	—	Cancer. Old age.....
"	8 John Milton Burr.....	77	—	—	Heart disease, Paralysis..
"	13 Marion Abbie Sutherland..	—	3	8	Pneumonia.....
"	15 Ada Belle Russell.....	—	—	1/2	Malnutrition.....
"	16 Ellen M. Clark.....	69	5	19	Inflammation of bowels...
"	21 Samuel N. Fiske.....	55	—	—	Cirrhosis of liver.....
June	8 Lucy M. Jenks.....	73	4	16	Cerebral apoplexy.....
"	9 Mabel H. Aldrich.....	22	3	8	Tumor of abdomen.....
"	14 Hazel Marion Hutchinson	3	9	14	Spinal Meningitis.....
"	15 Charles Alfred Clark.....	90	2	2	Old age.....
"	17 Gertrude May Gay.....	19	7	1	Typhoid pneumonia.....
"	17 Polley Clark.....	87	5	27	Old age.....
"	17 Charles W. Shippee.....	73	—	23	Psoas abscess.....
"	27 Joseph M. Sullivan.....	28	2	29	Hemorrhage from lungs...
July	8 Rosanna M. Labadie.....	28	3	—	Puerperal collapse.....
"	11 Loretta Labadie.....	—	—	4	Inanition.....
"	24 James Murray.....	43	—	—	Phthisis.....
"	26 George H. Cochrane.....	73	—	8	Grippe. Acute nephritis..
Aug.	17 Ellen A. Mahon.....	—	6	13	Cerebral congestion.....
"	19 Louis Sochorite.....	52	—	—	Con. malaria. Paralysis...
"	21 Oliver Longua.....	61	—	—	Cerebral hemorrhage.....
"	28 Almira Bennett.....	82	—	—	Senile dementia. Old age.
"	28 Arthur W. Martin.....	30	1	15	Typhoid fever.....
"	31 Wellington Ayer.....	28	—	—	Rail. acci. fract. left ribs..
Sept.	17 John Pettis.....	61	—	—	Stran. hernia, attack vomit.
"	18 Fattie S. Willard.....	52	2	12	Apoplexy.....
"	27 Osman B. Carter.....	45	10	—	Appen., fall caus. in. hem.
"	28 George A. Cunningham....	16	4	19	Cancer pan. del. heart. ana.
Oct.	5 Clara E. Dayhoff.....	60	4	27	Dysen. gastro-interoculitis
"	7 Augustus H. Bradford.....	67	0	13	Pneumonia.....
"	12 Jeremiah Buckley.....	46	3	—	Dila. of heart. Nephritis..

DATE.	NAME OF PERSON.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Oct. 13	William F. Woolford.....	55	10	21	Apop. Epi. devel. aphasia.
" 22	John King.....	77	10	28	Heart disease.....
" 28	—	—	—	Stillborn.....
" 30	James P. Sullivan.....	37	7	—	Pneumonia meningitis....
Nov. 3	Elisha F. Richardson.....	35	3	11	Senile debility.....
" 6	Lucy H. Jones.....	82	8	5	Valvular disease of heart.
" 7	Patrick J. Collins.....	63	8	—	Dilation of heart.....
" 7	Alfred Clark, Jr.....	55	1	—	Appendicitis.....
" 20	Margaret Gillespie.....	35	—	—	Typhoid fever.....
" 20	Bernale A. Dauphinee.....	—	3	27	Congenital heart disease ..
" 24	Annie S. Bonsall.....	28	10	15	Phthisis.....
" 26	Joseph Nanni.....	27	—	—	Homicide.....
Dec. 2	Effie Sutton.....	77	1	18	Cerebral apoplexy.....
" 20	George L. Cleveland.....	53	—	—	Car. of gall Bladder.....
" 22	Maria Muciarone.....	5	—	—	Anemia.....
" 25	Marv R. S. Rothwell.....	42	8	26	Diarrhœa and hysteria.....
" 28	William Baxter.....	86	5	19	Bronchitis.....
" 30	Ellen Collins.....	60	—	—	Cancer of liver.....

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